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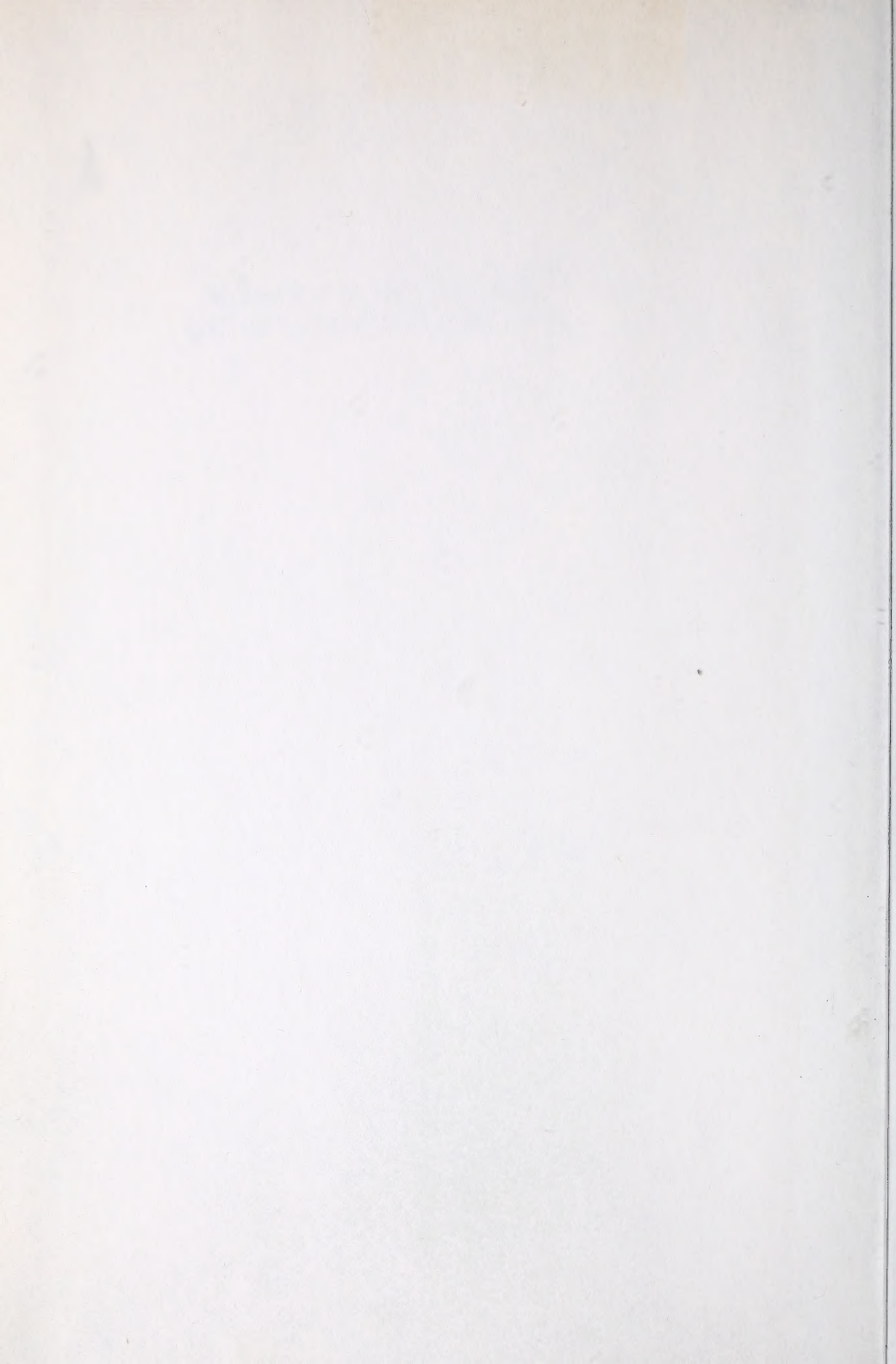
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A BIOGRAPHIC-GENEALOGICAL REGISTER OF ITS PRINCIPAL FAMILIES

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A HISTORY OF WESTMINSTER, MASS., IN ITS EARLY YEARS

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built for the purpose. At a certain time he had with him for a companion and helper, his neighbor, Hananiah Rand, who lived half a mile west of him on the other side of Graves' Hill. After they had finished work one day and disposed of themselves for the night, they heard a tramping outside, as of a wild beast that seemed to make the circuit of the place of shelter and then retire. Whereupon, having duly considered what that circumstance foretold, they concluded that it was wise for them to leave where they were and seek sleeping accommodations in the barn of Thomas Knowler, a mile away, and this they accordingly did.

Not long after the change was made, they heard a most terrific howling in the direction whence they came, which continued for a long time, when all was still again. On returning in the morning to their place of labor they found the shanty leveled to the ground, its various parts, with what it contained, scattered all about, and not far away, a dead wolf much mangled and covered with gore.

The interpretation given to the matter was that the tramping first heard was that of a single wolf sent out by a hungry pack to look up something to eat; that he reported a successful search to his comrades, who, on coming to the place at which they were assured they should have their hunger satisfied and finding nothing there, very naturally concluded that they had been unpardonably deceived. Whereupon, in their disappointment and rage, they turned upon the supposed malefactor and administered to him justly deserved punishment to the full extent of the law. A suggestive lesson to all offenders of a similar sort.

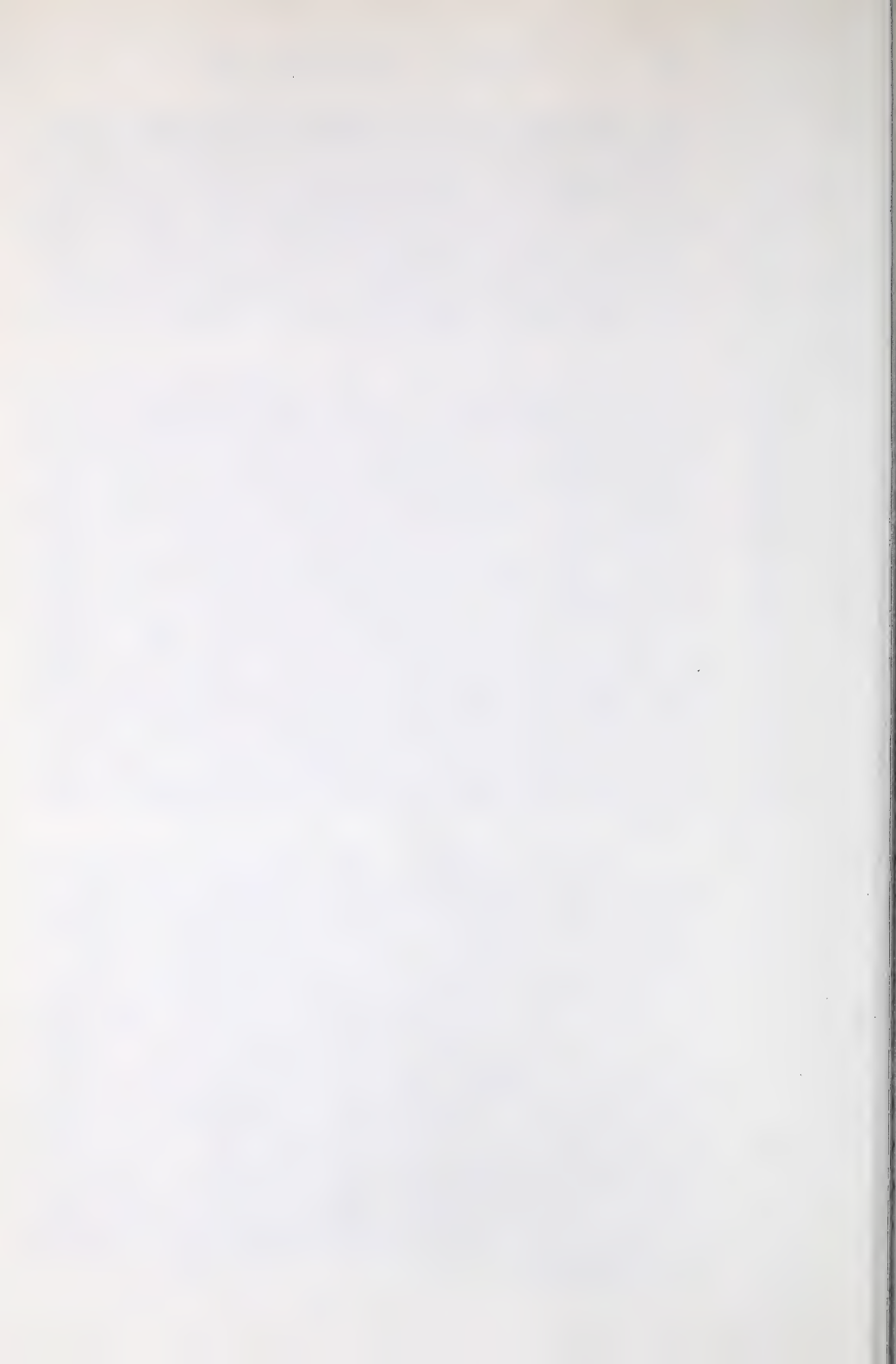
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4. THE LAST WOLF. — Some years after it was supposed that the lupine race had forever disappeared from this entire region of country, a lone straggler from some unknown locality found his way into town and betook himself to the trackless recesses of Cedar Swamp. Thence he would issue forth by night and work mischief in the cornfields, gardens, poultry yards, and sheepfolds of the residents of the neighborhood. Sundry attempts on the part of individuals to hunt him down proved abortive and vain. At length he became so much a nuisance and a terror that the whole community was roused against him, and a popular movement was started to put an end to his depredations by discovering and killing him. A given day was appointed for an expedition against his wolfship, and every one who could carry a gun or wield a weapon of any sort was invited to join it. Cedar Swamp was surrounded by a determined populace, who, at a specified moment began their march towards a common center, drawing nearer and nearer to each other as they advanced and scanning with eager, careful eye every clump of bushes or bed of brake or other hiding place, so that

there should be no possibility of his offending majesty's escape. The hunt continued most of the day. At length, late in the afternoon, he was discovered by Capt. Samuel Sawin, who quickly leveled his musket upon him and fired, bringing him prostrate to the earth, where, riddled with other shots, he soon expired. There was great rejoicing over the success of the undertaking, and goodly numbers repaired to the tavern to celebrate the event, the bounty-money received by the victor being freely contributed to make the occasion worthy the achievement that had been so signally won.

5. A GOVERNOR'S WIFE. — In the latter part of the last century Benjamin Barnard, the first settler on the farm in the Minott neighborhood where John Scott now resides, removed hence to Peru, Vt. The journey was made in the simple fashion of the times, a large wagon carrying the entire family, consisting of the parents and six children, with provisions, extra clothing, etc., to serve them on the way. Much of the distance the father and older children trudged along by the wagon side as a relief from so long riding and to lessen the load of the overburdened team. Nearing the end of the route, a young gentleman, finely clad and mounted on a spirited steed, overtook the rustic train, and catching up little Lucy, some ten years old, from the dusty road, carried her a long distance in his arms. Much pleased with the child, he took her name and that of the family, their place of destination, and other particulars of interest to him, and departed. A few years later he visited Peru and renewed the acquaintance, which resulted in due time in Lucy Barnard becoming the wife of Gen. Peter Dudley, subsequently Governor of Vermont.

6. WONDERFUL MEMORY. — Dea. Moses Thurston is said to have had one of the most retentive memories of which mention is made in human annals. In confirmation of this an instance is given in the "History of the Thurston Family." When a young man, he boarded in a household where the minister of the place was also temporarily residing. One Sunday morning he chanced to find the sermon prepared for the day lying upon the table of a room through which he was passing. He picked it up and hastily read it from beginning to end. While seated at the breakfast table, he casually remarked that he thought he would not attend church that morning as he should hear nothing new. The minister replied, "Oh, yes, you will, for I have just written a sermon especially for the occasion." Young Thurston insisted that there was nothing in it which he did not already know, and, to prove that he was right, began with the text and repeated the discourse entirely, almost word for word, much to the astonishment of the clergyman and of all who heard him.



7. CASTING OUT DEVILS.—A minister of a neighboring town, in the early days of Westminster, had by his heretical opinions or otherwise rendered himself obnoxious to many of the people of the place. As a consequence, when he appeared in the pulpit one Sunday morning on exchange with Rev. Mr. Rice, Abner Holden, Esq., and Nicholas Dike, Esq., leading citizens, in order to show their dislike of the man and their unwillingness to hear him preach, picked up their hats and left the house. The next day the people, who had come together in public town meeting, made the matter and its attending circumstances a leading topic of conversation, the officiating clergyman coming in for a large amount of censure and condemnation. Capt. William Edgell, the elder, overhearing a group of men venting freely their animosity and indignation against the clerical offender, arrested the current of vituperation by suddenly exclaiming, "Pretty good Minister, *very* good Minister,—he cast out two devils to begin with, before he said a word."

8. MORE SOUND THAN SUBSTANCE.—The son of one of the substantial farmers of the town, who was imbued with a religious spirit and inclined to literary pursuits, studied for the Christian ministry. After being licensed to preach, he one day occupied the pulpit in his native place, when a large congregation turned out to hear him. His father, proud of the young man, upon coming out of church fished for a compliment for him from his neighbor, Thomas Johnston, a quaint Scotchman and much of a wag withal, by himself commending the full, strong, clear tones of the son's voice.—"Yes, yes," said Mr. Johnston with a characteristically quick reply, "a fine voice, a *great* voice,—an empty barrel always makes a big sound." There was really more wit than wisdom in this assertion, for the young man became in after years one of the most useful, consecrated, and respected clergymen of Worcester County.

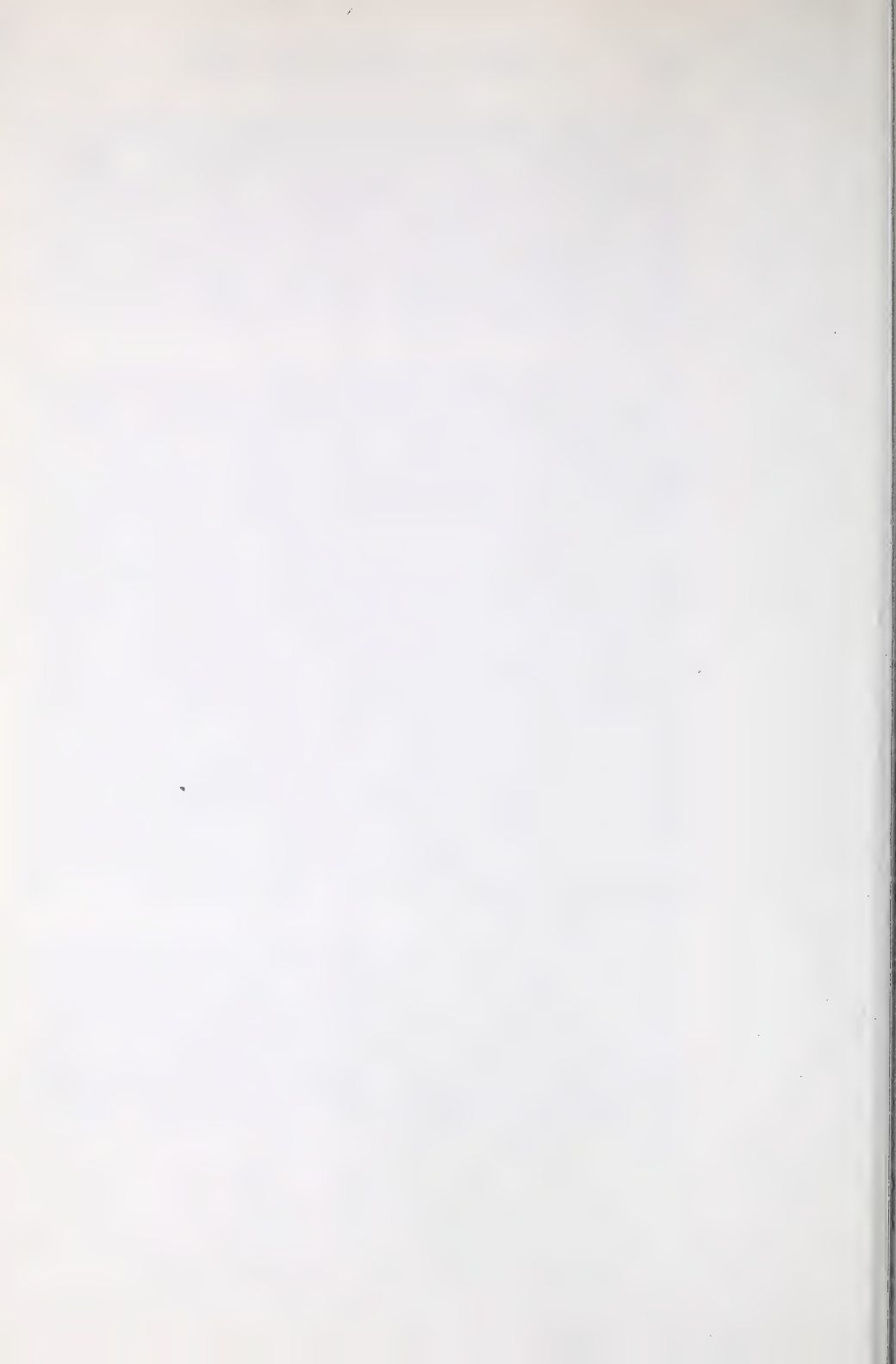
9. A HAPPY CONCLUSION.—Some time after the settlement of the Rev. Cyrus Mann as minister in 1815, a considerable company of his hearers were gathered during the noon recess one Sunday, as was their wont, at the famous hostelry of William Penniman, now the residence of Edwin L. Burnham, where they spent the hour in eating their luncheon, talking politics, discussing the sermon, circulating the news, and such-like miscellaneous exercises as pleased them. On this particular occasion the new minister became the topic of general comment, much adverse criticism being made against him on account of his assumed neglect of pastoral work,—not visiting his parishioners as much as it was thought he was in duty bound to do. "He has not been to see me," one and another said, nearly every person present joining in the same complaint and emphasizing as a personal grievance the implied disregard



of the proper functions of the sacred office. "Neither has he been to see me," at length Mr. Johnston said, "but then I am not troubled by it at all, for you know 'he came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.'" This remark, made with a peculiar twinkle of the speaker's eye and in his own expressive tone of voice, provoked a general laugh, and the crowd concluded their lunch and their jeremiade in a happy frame of mind, turning their footsteps cheerfully up the hill again to the house of worship, and to the solemn service of the afternoon.

IO. THE REDOUBTABLE JUSTICE.—In one of the attempts to prevent the holding of the Court of Common Pleas at Worcester during the progress of "Shays' Rebellion," Col. Nicholas Dike, a Justice of the Peace in the County, and others of the same official position, acted as an escort or bodyguard to Judge Ward and his subordinates on their march to the Court House. Approaching the building, the dignified procession was met by an armed mob of insurgents, who disputed its further advance. Coming to a halt, Esquire Dike, who was near the head of the judicial column, was brought face to face with Moses Hunting of Hubbardston, whom he knew very well, musket in hand, seemingly ready for any bloody deed which might be deemed necessary to the execution of the purpose for which the malcontents were convened. Eyeing his neighboring townsman for a moment, Mr. Dike, who was a very strong, as well as a very brave, man, cried out in stentorian voice, "What are you here for, you rebel?" at the same instant seizing his musket and, by an unexpected and violent movement and a sharp blow from a heavy oak cane, throwing him to the ground. Notwithstanding this and other acts of courage and resolute determination on the part of the representatives of the government, the Court was compelled to withdraw and hold a brief sitting at one of the public houses of the town.

This story rests upon what is believed to be good authority, and may be regarded as essentially true to the facts of the case. The cane which played so important a part in the transaction is now in possession of the Colonel's great-grandson, Farwell Morse. Mr. Hunting, familiarly called General(?) Hunting, in his subsequent recitals of the exciting occurrences of the eventful day, and of his own valorous part in connection with them, was always careful to make no allusion to his little encounter with Esquire Dike.



CHAPTER XXIII.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

POPULATION—PROPERTY SCHEDULES—INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, ETC.—
VOTES FOR GOVERNOR AND PRESIDENT.

Population. The following table, purporting to give the number of inhabitants in town at the different dates indicated, is not altogether official and reliable. Previous to and including 1780 the figures are derived from careful estimates, and can be regarded as only approximately correct. Subsequent to that date those placed against the several decades are taken from the National census, and the others, at each intervening fifth year since 1850, from the enumeration authorized by the State of Massachusetts.

Years.	No.	Years.	No.	Years.	No.
1740	30	1810	1419	1865	1639
1750	125	1820	1634	1870	1770
1760	325	1830	1696	1875	1712
1770	675	1840	1645	1880	1652
1780	975	1850	1914	1885	1556
1790	1176	1855	1979	1890	1688
1800	1369(?)	1860	1840		

Schedules of Property. Partial statements in regard to the property of the town for the years 1760 and 1770 have already appeared on pages 128 and 180 respectively, and need not be repeated. A more comprehensive one, based upon returns made by the assessors for the year 1771 to the Secretary of the State at Boston, has been found among the public archives there, as have several others of a later date similarly authenticated. Some of these are given below, though in a condensed form,—the year of invoicing being placed at the head of each list.

1771.

Polls ratable, 182; not ratable, 15.
Dwellings, 122; shops not connected with dwellings, 4.
Grist, fulling, and sawmills, 6; stores, 1.
Tillage land, 294 acres; upland mowing, 831½; meadow, 231½.
Tons of English hay, 670; meadow, 189½.
Annual worth of real estate, £576 6s. 4d.
Stock in trade, £150; money at interest above debts, £283.
Bushels of grain raised, 4,659; barrels of cyder made, 158.
Pasturage, 1,350 acres; servants for life between 14 and 45, 3.
Horses, 3 yrs. old, 75; oxen, 4 yrs. old, 178; sheep, 1 yr. old, 714.
Cows and heifers, 3 yrs. old, 374; swine, 1 yr. old, 145.



1781.

Polls, 256; houses, 178; barns, 129; shops, stores, etc., 22; distilleries, 5.
 English mowing, 1,151 acres; tillage, 438; meadow, 519.
 Pasturage, 2,018 acres; woodland, 15,064.
 Barrels of cyder made, 433.
 Number of horses, 146; oxen, 219; cows, 600; sheep, 2,040; swine, 165.
 Money at interest and on hand, £665; stock in trade, £160.
 Gold on hand, 3 ounces; silver, 132 ounces; value of coaches, £40.

1801.

Polls ratable, 282; not ratable, 52.
 Dwellings, 189; barns, 178; shops, 18; tanneries, 1.
 Gristmills, 4; sawmills, 2; fulling mills, 1; oil mills, 1.
 Iron works, 3; pot- and pearlash works, 2.
 All other buildings valued at \$2,000 and upward, 28.
 Acres tillage, 476; upland mowing, 1,127; meadow, 118; pasture, 2,196;
 woodland, 3,353.
 Acres unimproved land, 7,846; waste, 3,687; in roads, 340; ponds, 640.
 Tons upland hay, 1,070; meadow, 628; barrels cider made, 1,118.
 Wheat raised, 849 bushels; rye, 903; oats, 1,278; barley, 114.
 Corn, 5,751; peas and beans, 101; hops, 496 lbs.
 Number of horses, 3 yrs. old, 340; oxen, 4 yrs. old, 280.
 Cows and steers, 3 yrs. old and upward, 754; swine, 6 mos. old, 267.
 Money on hand or in bank, \$425.43; at interest, \$6,741; in trade, \$765.

The next table is derived from what purports to be a complete invoice of the taxable property of the town at the date designated, as detailed in an assessor's book found among the heterogeneous contents of an old chest at the town hall building. There are certain omissions obvious to the careful reader, notably that of the number of sheep, the reason of which is not readily apprehended. The list as presented is a summary of all that the book referred to records.

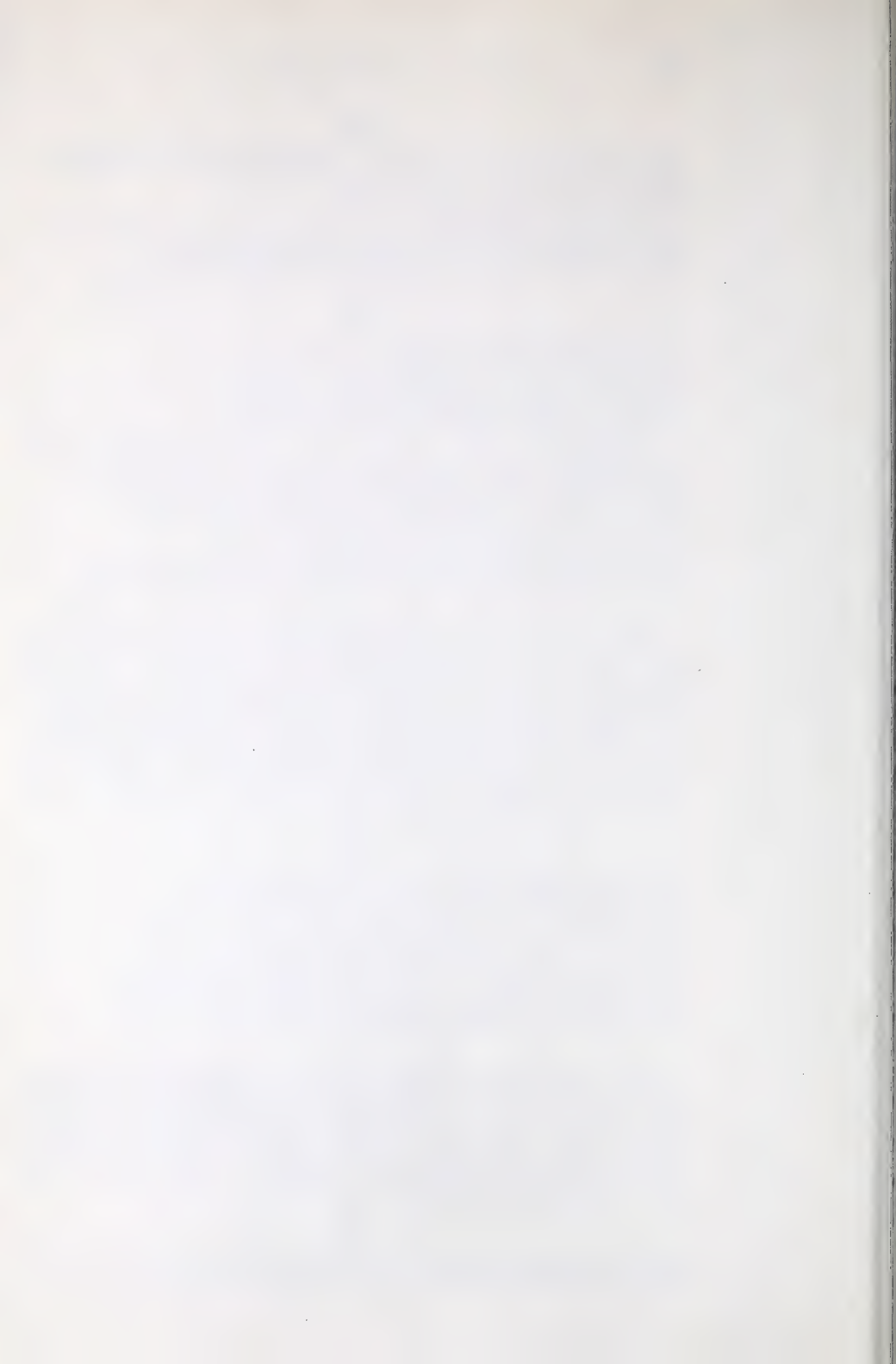
1825.

Polls, 397; houses, 243; barns, 240.
 Shops, cider mills, etc., 62; saw, grist, and fulling mills, 7.
 Tanyards, 2; stock in tanneries, \$400.
 Stage property, \$2,720; 34 shares Turnpike Stock, value \$340.
 Horses, 282; colts, 23; pleasure carriages, 45.
 Cows, 815; oxen, 359; 2 yrs. old, 297; 1 yr. old, 274; swine, 286.
 Improved lands, 10,860 acres: unimproved, 8,844; total, 19,704.
 Money at interest, \$23,755; stock in trade, \$5,460.
 Value of real estate, \$320,345; personal, \$72,400; total, \$392,745.

The remaining inventories are from the official returns of the assessors as they appear in the published documents of the Commonwealth, collated and abbreviated to suit them to the compass of this work. They relate chiefly to the industrial productions of the town—agricultural and mechanical—during the several years respectively indicated.

1845.

Sheep in town, 476; value \$1,021;—wool produced, 1,904 lbs.; value, \$666.
 Horses, 217; value \$8,546;—neat cattle, 1,419; value, \$26,571.



Swine, 213; value, \$1,692.

Indian corn produced, 5,243 bush.; value, \$4,369.

Wheat, 1,058 bush.; value, \$1,375; rye, 897 bush.; value, \$789.

Barley, 2,839 bush.; value, \$1,845; oats, 3,181 bush.; value \$1,272.

Potatoes, 13,285 bush.; value, \$4,384; other vegetables, 4,563 bush.; value, \$1,298.

Hay, 2,710 tons; value, \$22,535; fruit, 19,253 bush.; value, \$3,000.

Butter, 39,925 lbs.; value, \$5,589; cheese, 31,261 lbs.; value, \$1,719.

Saddle, harness, and trunk manufactories, 3; value of product, \$2,100.

Carriage manufactories, 2; value of products, \$5,000; capital, \$1,000; employees, 8.

Chair and cabinet shops, 10; value of product, \$54,982; capital, \$10,125; employees, 91.

Tanneries, 2; hides tanned, 625; value, \$2,200; capital, \$1,050; employees, 3.

Boots and shoes made, 1,064 pairs; value, \$1,203; persons employed, 3.

Straw bonnets and hats, 2,087; value, \$4,091.

Straw braid not in bonnets, value \$3,376.

Palm-leaf hats, 7,703; value, \$1,331; women employed, 51.

Value of mechanics' tools made, \$5,000; employees, 1.

Value of wooden ware made, \$3,867; employees, 5.

Lumber manufactured, 473,600 ft.; value, \$4,857; employees, 4.

Wood for market, 1,469 cords; value, \$1,949.

1865.

Number of farms, 220; acres, 21,273½; value with buildings, \$534,629.

Improved lands, 11,690 acres; unimproved, 2,457.

Woodland, 5,396 acres; value of same, \$87,041.

Corn raised, 4,763 bush.; value, \$7,146; wheat, 416 bush.; value, \$832.

Rye, 100 bush.; value \$175; barley, 1,294 bush.; value, \$1,164.50.

Oats, 1,623 bush.; value, \$1,217.55; potatoes, 29,282 bush.; value, \$15,569.

English hay, 1,987 tons; value, \$49,675; meadow, 503 tons; value, \$6,036.

Value of fruit produced, \$3,092; value of berries and nuts, \$115.

Sheep, 378; value, \$2,290; wool produced, 880 lbs.; value, \$528.

Horses, 244; value, \$17,844; oxen, 118; steers, 132; value, \$13,372.

Cows, 500; heifers, 224; value, \$28,978; butter sold, 13,246 lbs.; value, \$5,298.

Cheese sold, 2,965 lbs; value, \$355.80; milk sold, 1,289 gals.; value, \$257.80.

Dressed beef, 149,338 lbs.; value, \$12,540; pork, 80,809 lbs.; value, \$12,922.44.

Mutton, 2,200 lbs.; value, \$198; veal, 7,773 lbs; value, \$777.30.

Number of swine, 107; value, \$2,188; value of poultry sold, \$722.

Value of eggs, \$490; honey, \$35; other farm products, \$1,226.

Value of homemade cloth, \$90; chair seating, \$7,311.

Paper manufactories, 3; tons made, 250; value, \$250,000; employees, 15.

Blacksmith shops, 4; value of work, \$1,435; employees, 6.

Chair and settee factories, 7; made, 97,800; value, \$48,440; employees, 65.

Flouring mill, 1; grain ground, 12,000 bush.; value, \$12,000.

Flour made, 75 bbls.; value, \$600; men employed in grain and flour mill, 3.

Boots and shoes, 160 pairs; value, \$615; employees, 4.

Wooden ware manufactory, 1; value of product, \$275; employees, 1.

Preserves and pickles, 1; value of goods, \$5,000; employees, 8.

Bakery, 1; value of bread, \$15,000; employees, 8.

Sawmills, 6; lumber produced, 970,000 ft.; value, \$55,278.

Shingles made, 200,000; value, \$600; employed in saw and shingle mill, 8.

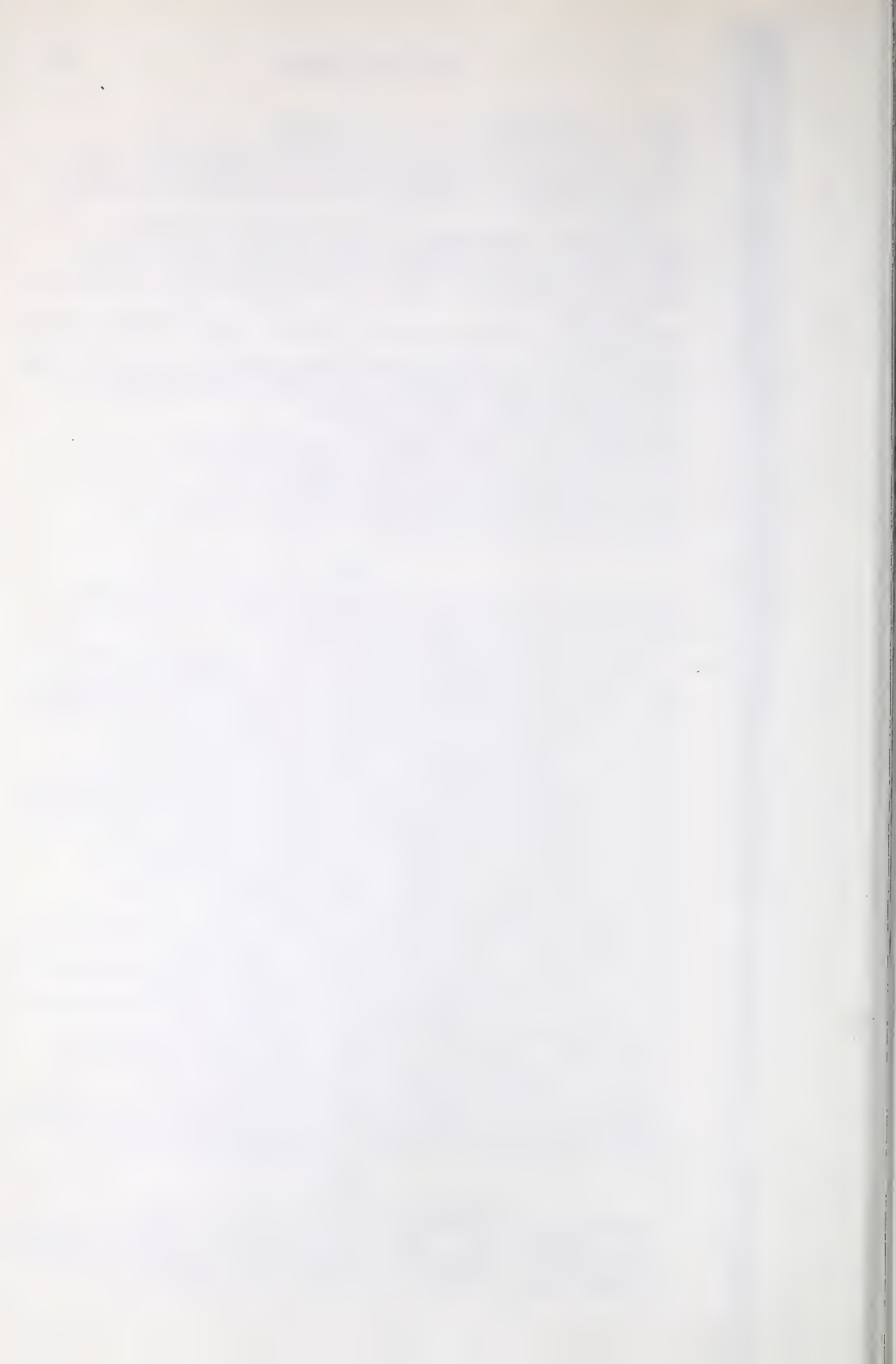
Wood and bark, 2,576 cords; value, \$7,849; men employed, 13.

1885.

Dwellings, 231; value, \$177,475; barns, 249; value, \$75,225.

All other buildings, 269; value, \$15,113; total value of buildings, \$267,813.

Cultivated land, 3,357½ acres; value, \$152,810; uncultivated, 8,946 acres; value, \$94,362; woodland, 4,059½ acres; value, \$93,745.



Value of farming machines, implements, etc., \$34,264.

Domestic animals: horses, 200; cows, 499; oxen, 26; sheep and lambs, 71; steers, 48; heifers, 170; swine, 139; colts, 18; calves, 136; bulls, 29; dogs, 68; pigs, 29; swarms of bees, 37.

Value of domestic animals, \$60,751.

Agricultural products: wool, hides, manure, etc., \$12,891.

Butter, 50,614 lbs.; value, \$13,129; cheese, 380 lbs.; value, \$43.

Cream and milk, value, \$29,487; poultry and eggs, \$7,210.

Value of wood, lumber, railroad sleepers, etc., \$37,562.

Corn raised, 6,545 bush.; oats, 1,150; rye, 389; wheat, 83; barley, 962.

Value of cereals, \$4,847; value of hay and fodder, \$48,334.

Value of fruits, berries, etc., \$10,057; vegetables, \$12,402.

Beef produced, 66,651 lbs.; mutton, 2,135; pork, 66,846; veal, 18,571.

Value of meats, \$10,756; cider, vinegar, canned fruit, etc., \$7,213.

Total value of agricultural productions, \$193,931.

Mechanical industries: number of establishments, 17; kinds, 8.

Capital invested: lands, \$21,250; buildings, \$57,350; machinery, \$33,900; implements and tools, \$3,990; cash and bills, \$72,950; total, \$189,440.

Goods produced: buildings, \$3,570; food, \$67,000; iron ware, \$1,350; leather, \$1,000; furniture, \$123,992; paper, boots and shoes, not returned, \$80,750; others, \$5,800.

Total value of mechanical productions, \$283,462.

Value of mechanical productions in 1875, \$189,875; gain in 10 yrs., 49 per cent.

Persons employed, 205; wages paid, \$77,940; average per person, \$308.19.

Power: 5 steam engines, 312 horse power; 6 water wheels, 230 horse power.

Rank of town in State: population, 209; manufactures, 170; agriculture, 71.

Total productions of the town, \$477,393.

Valuation, \$755,524; tax, \$12,606; rate, \$15.50 on \$1,000.

POLLS, PROPERTY, AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Copied from the Assessors' books.

1860.

Number of polls subject to taxation, 461.

Personal estate, \$159,948; real, \$552,035; total, \$711,983.

Appropriations: general expenses, \$3,500; schools, \$1,400.

County tax, \$1,211.78; State, \$332.50; overlay, \$207.46; total, \$6,651.74.

Highway tax, \$1,500; assessment on \$1,000, \$8.40.

Acres of taxable land, 21,000.

1870.

Number of taxable polls, 459.

Personal property, \$218,561; real, \$616,520; total, \$835,081.

Houses in town, 344; horses, 261; cows, 554.

Appropriations: general expenses, \$7,000; roads, \$3,000; schools, \$2,800.

State tax, \$2,025; County, \$1,095.83; overlay, \$524.60.

Total tax, \$16,558.36; rate of taxation, \$18.10 on \$1,000.

1880.

Number of polls, 440.

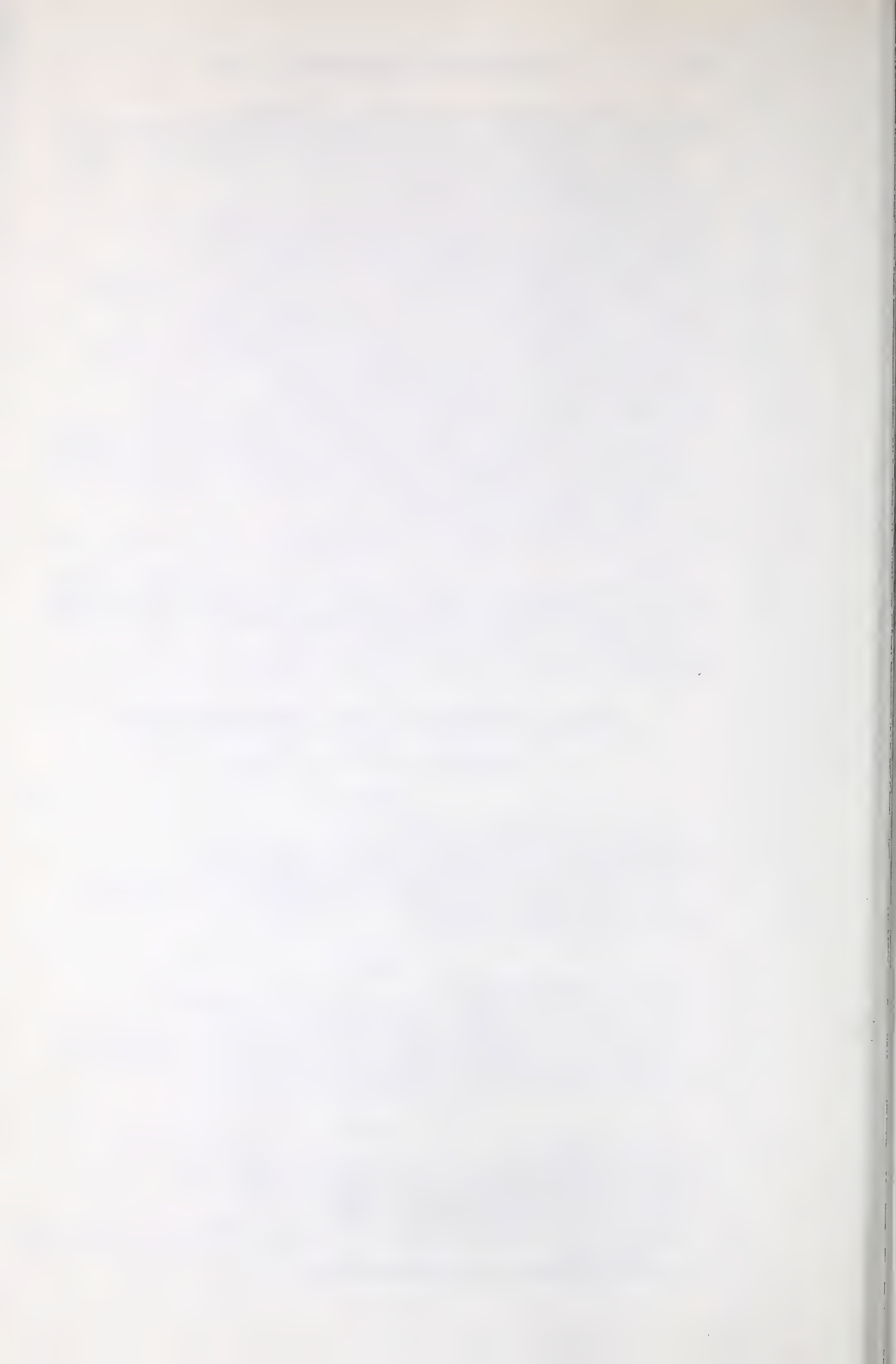
Personal property, \$245,620; real, \$581,070; total, \$826,690.

Money at interest, \$84,400; money on hand, \$1,875.

Corporation stock out of the State, \$1,400.

Amount of land taxed, 22,030 acres; houses, 367; horses, 314; cows, 563; sheep, 94.

Total tax, \$14,107.04; rate on \$1,000, \$16.00.



1890.

Resident tax payers, 389; non-resident, 143; total, 532.
 Personal estate: general, \$129,353; bank stock, \$56,525; total, \$185,878.
 Real estate: buildings, \$275,472; land, \$300,267; total \$575,739.
 Entire property of the town, \$761,617.
 Number of houses, 353; amount of lands, 21,450 acres.
 Horses in town, 425; cows, 750; other neat cattle, 304; sheep, 35; swine, 135.
 Entire tax including overlayings: on personal property, \$3,159.38; real estate, \$9,787.65; polls, \$958; total, \$13,905.03; rate, \$17 on \$1,000.

1892.

Residents assessed, 396; non-residents, 149; total, 545; polls, 467.
 Personal estate: general, \$102,958; bank stock, \$49,320; total, \$152,278.
 Real estate: land, \$298,618; buildings, \$274,847; total, \$573,465.
 Tax on personal estate, \$2,588.73; real, \$9,748.90; polls, \$934.50.
 Entire tax, \$13,272.13; rate \$17 on \$1,000.
 Houses in town, 356; acres of land, 21,555.
 Horses, 425; cows, 676; other neat cattle, 287; sheep, 31; swine, 55.

AUDITOR'S REPORT, 1892.

The Treasurer received during the past year	\$25,194 88
The Treasurer paid out during the past year	24,493 95
Balance	\$700 93
The town's available assets are:	
State aid due	\$867 00
Tuition for schooling	87 54
Care of poor due	75 02
Taxes of 1887, 1888, 1889,	351 75
Interest on same	37 10
Taxes of 1890, 1891,	122 20
Interest	8 72
Cash on hand	700 93
Total	\$2,250 26
Town debt, \$2,392.07	

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

During many of the earlier years of the town's history no appropriations for miscellaneous expenses seem to have been made, which accounts for the vacant spaces in the table below. Claims against the treasury were presented in open meeting and, when formally approved, were ordered to be paid out of whatever funds might be in hand, rendering the special assignment of fixed sums for that purpose from year to year unnecessary. The large figures which appear against the years 1779 and 1780 are to be interpreted by the fact of the great depreciation of the currency at that period.

Year.	Town Charges.	Roads.	Schools.	Year.	Town Charges.	Roads.	Schools.
1760	£ 6	£30	£ 6	1764		£60	£13.68
1761	15	40	8	1765		60	13.68
1762	20	50	8	1766		45	20
1763	13.68	48	13.68	1767		40	30



Year.	Town Charges.	Roads.	Schools.	Year.	Town Charges.	Roads.	Schools.
1768		£ 60	£ 30	1830	\$ 2000	\$1200	\$ 700
1769		70	16	1831	500	1200	700
1770		80	44	1832	400	1200	800
1771		100	55	1833	400	1200	800
1772		130		1834	1000	1600	800
1773		100	40	1835	2000	1600	800
1774		100	40	1836	2000	1200	800
1775	£ 30	100	35	1837	1000	1200	1000
1776	5		40	1838	1600	1200	1000
1777		40	40	1839	1100	1200	1000
1778			170*	1840	1000	2400	1000
1779	150	1200	600*	1841	2000	1200	1000
1780	3100	5000	1200*	1842	1200	1200	1000
1781	723	150	77	1843	1000	1800	1000
1782		150	77	1844	700	1800	1000
1783		150	77	1845	700	1800	1000
1784		100	92	1846	1000	1800	1000
1785		130	82	1847	1500	1800	1000
1786	80	100	82	1848	1500	1500	1200
1787		100	92	1849	1800	1400	1200
1788	150	100	92	1850	2000	1200	1200
1789	150	100	82	1851	2000	1000	1500
1790	30	150	92	1852	2000	1400	1500
1791	30	180	92	1853	3000	1400	1500
1792	50	180	72	1854	3000	1500	1500
1793	60	200	70.10	1855	1700	1500	1500
1794	60	200	71	1856	2000	1800	1500
1795	60	200	80	1857	3000	1800	1500
1796	\$ 133 33	\$ 666 66	\$233 33	1858	2000	1000	1500
1797	200	1000	333 33	1859	2500	2000	1600
1798	250	1100	333 33	1860	3500	1500	1400
1799	150	1100	400	1861	3500	1600	1600
1800	300	1100	400	1862	2000	1200	1000
1801	550	1000	420	1863	3000	1500	1500
1802	420	900	420	1864	5000	1000	1500
1803	400	1000	420	1865	5000	1500	1500
1804	450	1000	470	1866	5000	1500	2000
1805	950	1000	500	1867	5000	2000	2000
1806	500	850	540	1868	7000	2500	2100
1807	600	1000	520	1869	7000	2500	2800
1808	600	1000	520	1870	7000	3000	2800
1809	750	1200	520	1871	7000	2000	2800
1810	600	1200	520	1872	7000	3000	2800
1811	700	1200	520	1873	12,000	2000	2900
1812	600	1200	520	1874	10,000	2900	2500
1813	650	1200	520	1875	8000	3100	1800
1814	650	1200	520	1876	8000	2750	1800
1815	650	1200	520	1877	5000	2750	3000
1816	700	1200	520	1878	7000	2750	2500
1817	700	1000	550	1879	7000	2750	2500
1818	900	1200	700	1880	7000	2750	2500
1819	900	1000	550	1881	7000	2750	2500
1820	1000	1000	520	1882	7000	3000	2500
1821	500	1000	520	1883	7000	3000	2600
1822	500	1000	630	1884	5000	3000	2500
1823	500	1000	630	1885	2500	3200	2500
1824	700	1000	630	1886	5000	3000	2500
1825	1000	1000	730	1887	4000	3000	2500
1826	800	1000	730	1888	4000	3000	2500
1827	1000	1000	730	1889	4500	3150	2625
1828	900	1000	730	1890	4500	3150	3200
1829	2500	1200	547 50	1891	3000	3350	2500
				1892	4500	3500	2800

* With interest.



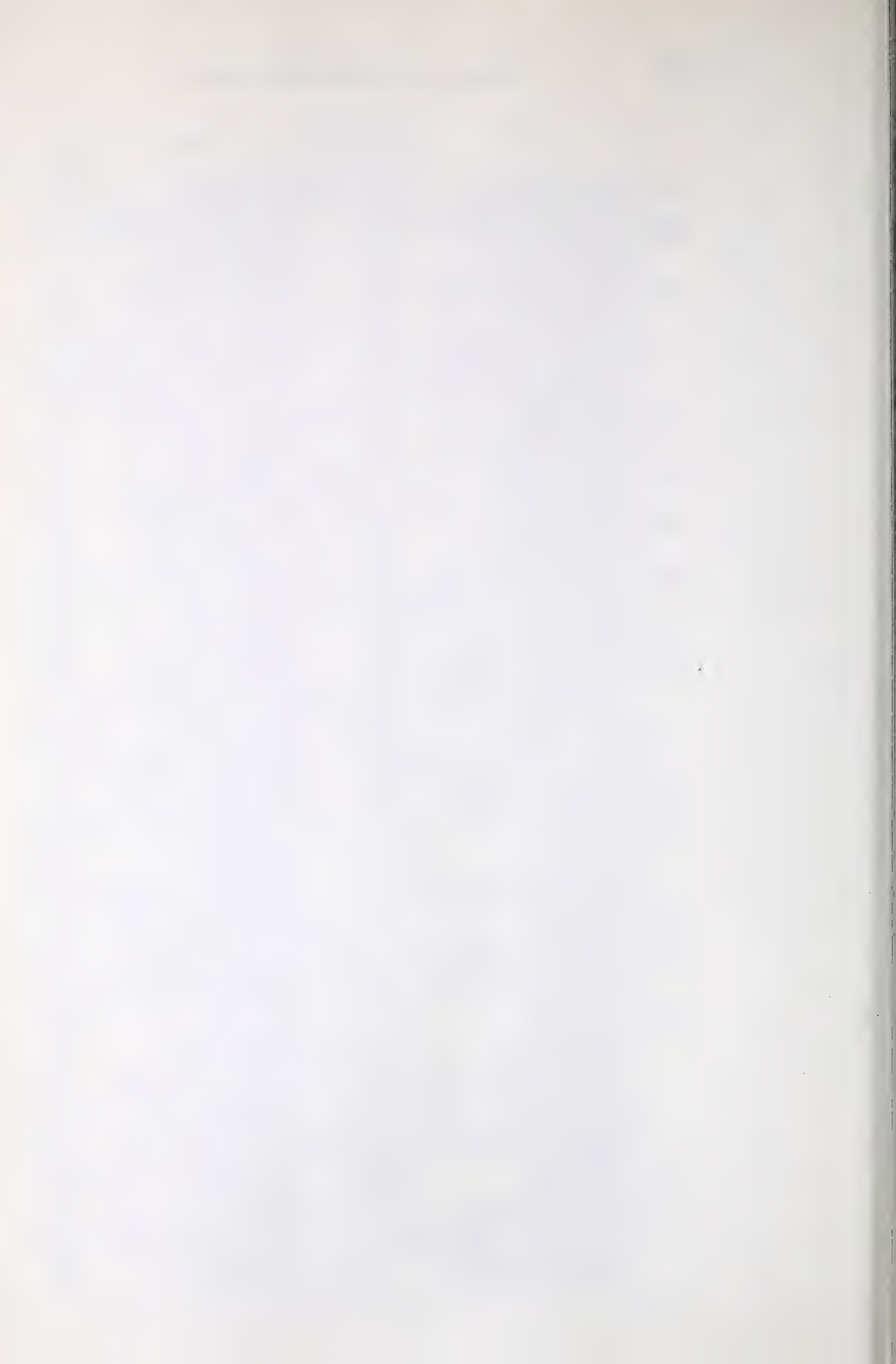
OCTOGENARIANS.

The following table contains the names of persons living in town during the past century, so far as ascertained, who have reached the age of eighty years. The year only of their decease is given.

Died.	NAMES.	Age.	Died.	NAMES.	Age.
1795	Stephen Sawin,	83	1826	Lucy, wid. James Walker,	84
1798	Richard Graves,	88		Huldah, w. Josiah Wheeler,	80
	Anne, wid. Thomas Bemis,	100?		Mary, wid. Jona. Sawin,	94
1799	Thomas Goodale,	82		Josiah Wheeler,	83
1801	Timothy Mosman,	91	1828	Patience, wid. T. Heywood,	82
	Martha Mosman,	85		Ephraim Miller,	84
1805	Abner Holden, Esq.,	84		John Pierce,	92
1808	Lieut. John Miles,	81		Jonathan P. Whitcomb,	87
	Martha, wid. John Miles,	83		Samuel Mosman,	88
1809	Capt. William Edgell,	82	1829	Edward Bacon,	84
1810	Wid. James Taylor,	90	1830	Abigail, wid. John Hoar,	83
	Wid. David Dunster,	100?		Edward Jackson,	91
	Thomas Goodale,	91		Mary, w. Nathan Baker,	80
1812	Samuel Marsh,	81	1831	Bridget, wid. J. Spalding,	88
	Wife Nathaniel Woodward,	81		Mary, wid. Josiah Puffer,	90
	Nicholas Dike, Esq.,	90		Col. Thaddeus Bond,	80
	Eliza, wid. Abner Holden,	83	1832	Lydia, wid. Edward Bacon,	83
1813	Elinor, wid. Wm. Edgell,	83		Anne, wid. John Estabrook,	91
	Mary, wid. James Cowee,	81		Lydia, wid. Thos. Dunster,	86
	Abigail Bond,	97		Mary, wid. Asa Ray,	90
	Thomas Conant,	95	1833	Jonathan Minott,	83
	Widow Law,	92		Mrs. Palmer,	90
1814	Capt. Elisha Bigelow,	86	1834	Nathan Baker,	81
	Priscilla, w. Seth Harrington	85		Samuel Whitney,	88
1815	Seth Harrington,	87		Daniel Munjoy,	100?
1816	Deborah, wid. J. Bigelow,	81	1835	Levi Graves,	81
	Rev. Asaph Rice,	82		Mehitable, w. David Sawin,	91
1817	Wid. Rice (town charge),	86		Annis, wid. Reuben Sawin,	80
	Eunice, wid. John Brooks,	83	1836	Lucy, wid. Jos. Miller,	88
1818	Kate Randall Munjoy,	82	1837	William Penniman,	80
1819	Rebecca, w. N. Howard,	87		Capt. Aaron Bolton,	84
	Mary, wid. P. Hartwell,	85		Hannah, wid. J. Estabrook,	83
	Thomas Dunster,	82	1838	Samuel Merriam,	80
	Sarah, w. Thos. Merriam,	80		Elias Holden,	80
1820	Nathan Howard,	86		John Ball,	89
1821	Mary, wid. Nath'l Eaton,	90	1840	Eunice, wid. J. Fessenden,	84
	Jonathan Brown,	80		Ahijah Wood,	86
	Sarah, wid. Jonas Whitney,	90		Phebe, wid. Sam. Mosman,	93
	Thomas Merriam,	90	1841	Mary, wid. John Doty,	81
1822	Jonathan Sawin,	87		Jeduthan Warren,	84
	Jabez Bigelow,	86		Elijah Hager,	85?
	Samuel Sawin,	84	1842	Abner Sawin,	80
	Tabitha, wid. N. Whitney,	89	1844	Elisha Harrington,	89
1823	Lizzie Gibbs,	85		David Sawin,	99
	Jonathan Sawyer,	80		Ebenezer Mann,	94
	Nathaniel Woodward,	80		Elizabeth, wid. E. Barnard,	87
	Jonathan Hager,	81		Sarah, wid. S. Fessenden,	90
1824	Jerusha, wid. N. Sawyer,	84	1845	Eliza, wid. N. Woodward,	96
	Lucy, wid. Thos. Bemis,	80		Betsey Eaton,	85
	Phebe Wilder, unm.,	82		Eleazer Drury,	89
	Beulah, w. Eph'm Miller,	85		Abraham Sampson,	82
1825	Susannah, wid. J. Raymond,	90	1846	Thomas Johnston,	90
	Timothy Heywood,	85		Abel Wood, Esq.,	90
1826	Hannah, wid. T. Conant,	96		Ruhamah, wid. J. Hadley,	85

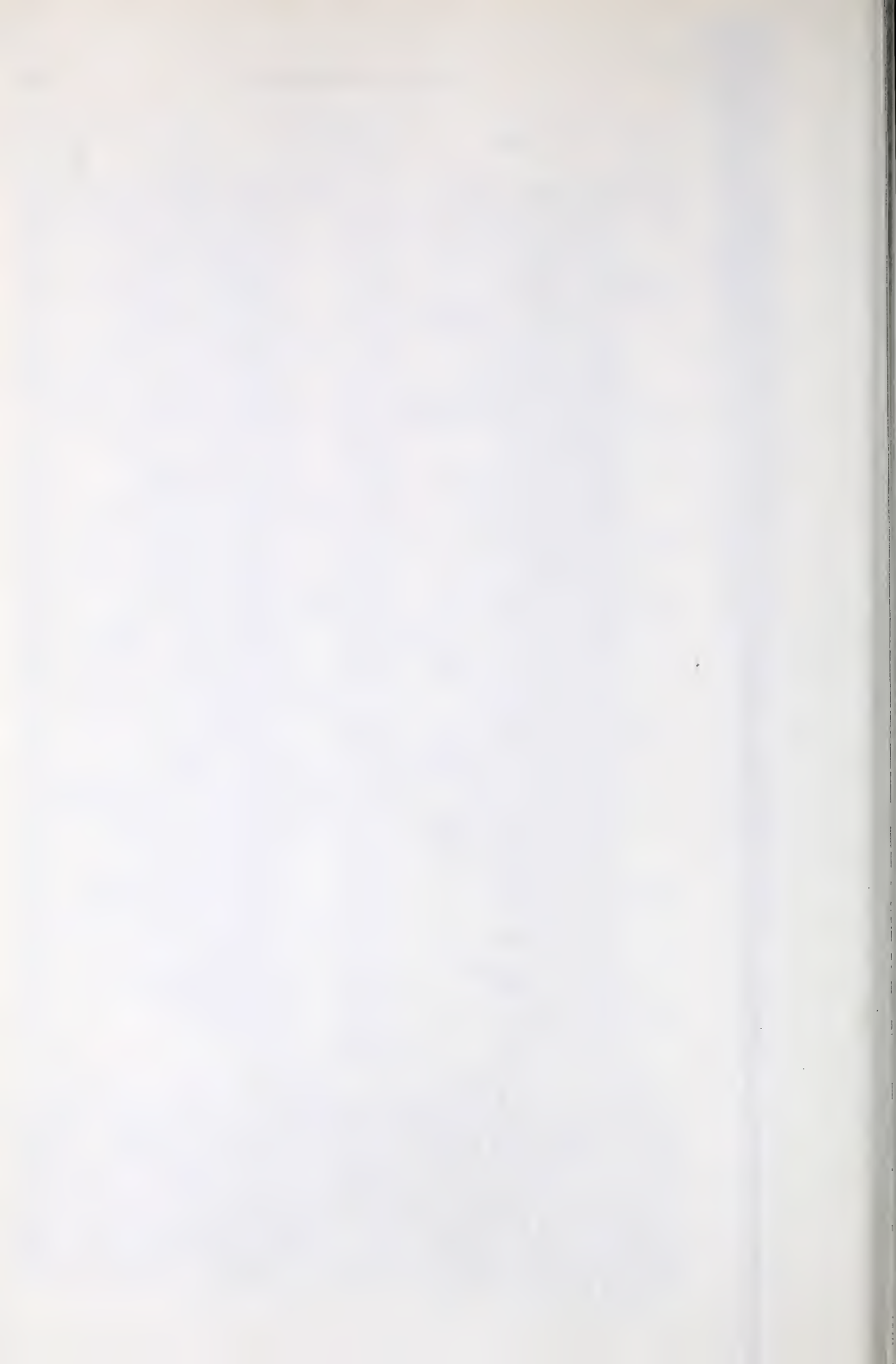


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1846	Rebecca Howard,	88	1861	Nathan Eaton,	89
	Esther, wid. Alph. Whitney,	87	1862	Widow of Ph's. Hartwell,	82
1847	Mary, wid. Eben. Mann,	90		Lucinda, wid. D. Foskett,	86
1848	Joanna, wid. N. Dike,	84		Widow of ——— Bridge,	88
	Reuben Adams,	87	1863	Stephen Bathrick,	81
	Abigail, w. Joel Whitney,	81		Mary, wid. E. Flint,	90
1849	Sarah, wid. A. Sampson,	85		Susan, wid. Silas Barnes,	80
	Moses Hunting,	90		Dolly, wid. Ed. Jackson,	81
	Prudence, wid. E. Hall,	80	1864	Levi Sawyer,	80
	Hannah, wid. I. Williams,	96		Deborah, wid. John Dupee,	84
	Hannah, wid. F. Barnes,	95		Elinor, wid. Nathan Eaton,	83
	Rachel, wid. D. Nichols,	84		Wid. Abigail (Stone) Gray,	91
	Ann, wid. Thos. Knower,	91		Anne Warren, unm.,	86
1850	Esther Miller,	94	1865	Mary, wid. Elijah Hager,	81
	Sarah, m. Alvin Upham,	89		Abraham Mosman,	80
	Elizabeth Conant,	96		Asaph Wood,	80
1851	Nathan Whitney,	85	1866	Joseph Sawin,	91
	Lucena, wid. Asa Merriam,	80		Lucretia Howard, unm.,	86
	Merari Spalding,	84	1867	Dea. David Whitney,	99
1852	Thomas Conant,	88		Milly Estabrook,	86
	Charlotte Rice,	84		Dea. Joel Merriam,	81
	Betsey, w. James Sawin,	89		Liberty Partridge,	91
1853	Rachel, wid. Jonas Miles,	83		Priscilla, wid. D. Sawin,	82
	Elizabeth, w. D. Whitney,	84	1868	Samuel Clarke,	88
	Hannah, wid. Levi Holden,	86		Preston Pond,	89
1854	Samuel Puffer,	80		Job Seaver,	80
	Bethia, wid. Asa Miller,	82		Joseph G. Whitney,	86
1855	Betsey, wid. Arna Bacon,	83		Sally, wid. Asa Brooks,	95
	Rebecca Taylor, unm.,	82		John Heywood,	80
	Lydia, wid. Levi Graves,	84	1869	Nancy, wid. John Jackson,	84
	Daniel Foskett,	82		Lydia, wid. Francis Curtis,	92
	Cyrus Winship,	88	1870	Bridget Donally,	90
	Betsey, wid. Eleazer Drury,	80		Sally, wid. Jos. Estabrook,	82
	John Jackson,	88		Lydia, wid. Amos Baker,	81
1856	Martha, m. W. V. Carr,	82		Susan, wid. Joel Derby,	85
	Anna, wid. Eli Sawyer,	88		Aaron Derby,	98
1857	Jonas White,	87	1871	Lucinda, wid. Benj. Tilden,	85
	Enos Hardy,	85		Josiah Jackson,	83
	Jonas Merriam,	91		John Miller,	96
	Ephraim Dunster,	86		Deborah, wid. W. Sawin,	85
	Widow of Jonas Whitney,	91		Polly, wid. Samuel Clark,	88
1858	Elisha Pierce,	85	1872	Ann, wid. Robert Wood,	84
	Gilman Thurston,	88		Catharine Gates, unm.,	83
1859	Fanny, wid. Z. Spalding,	85	1873	Mrs. Sally Goodale,	80
	Widow of H. Wheeler,	81		Betsey, wid. I. Dickinson,	81
	Olive, wid. Samuel Bruce,	83		Polly, wid. Joel Merriam,	84
	James Sawin,	98		Catharine, w. B. F. Wood,	80
1860	Sally Miller,	81		Otis Titus,	94
	Joel Derby,	81		Reuben Gates,	87
	Edward Bacon,	81	1874	John O'Conner,	90
	Joseph Sawin,	86		Betsey, wid. J. Holden,	87
	Widow of Asa W. Rand,	83		Abigail, wid. M. Wood,	86
	Luke Bigelow,	86		Sybil, wid. ——— Chaffin,	80
	Nancy, wid. Jos. Howard,	90		Achsah Hawks, unm.,	80
	Mary, wid. N. Raymond,	80	1875	Dea. Benj. F. Wood,	83
	James Laws,	87		Asenath, wid. J. Holden,	89
	William Sawin,	87		Priscilla, wid. I. Estabrook,	88
1861	Jonas Holden,	80		Lydia, wid. Joel Davis,	80
	Mary Peckham, unm.,	81		Ruth, wid. Asaph Carter,	90
	Hepzibah, wid. T. Estabrook	88		Levina, wid. J. G. Whitney,	86
	Achsah, wid. B. Perkins,	84		Relief, wid. T. Kendall,	86
	Polly, wid. Chas. Smith,	80		Horatio Eager,	81
	Rachel, wid. Heman Ray,	87	1876	Olive Moore,	89



Died.	NAMES.	Age.	Died.	NAMES.	Age.
1876	Mary Brown, b. Ireland,	92	1885	Lucy, wid. James Puffer,	89
1877	Relief Bond, unm.,	80		Peter Wright,	87
	Eunice, wid. Joseph Perry,	85		Ann M. wid. N. Whitney,	84
	Asaph Gates,	82		S. Gerrish Kendall,	81
	Dea. Robert Peckham,	91		Benjamin Blake,	81
1878	Mary Jessop,	90		Lucy, wid. Thomas Gaut,	92
1879	Charlotte Gray, unm.,	80		Caroline T. Raitt,	84
	Susannah W. Seaver, unm.,	84		Philander C. Brown,	81
	Mrs. Martha S. Barber,	80		Thomas P. Williams,	88
	Nancy Winship,	82	1886	Dolly, wid. Benj. Blake,	84
	Nathan Howard,	84		Mary P. Hill,	82
	Thomas Knower,	84		Mary A., wid. Asa Wheeler,	85
	Diadama, wid. Silas Ward,	92		Ellery Estabrook,	80
1880	Sally, wid. Jona. Whitman,	80		Maria P., m. Rev. L. Part-	
	Simeon Warren,	86		ridge,	82
	Jonas Miller,	82		Mary (Damon) Evans,	85
	Abraham Tottingham,	80		George W. Gibbs,	82
	Eliza Heywood,	87		Orange Young,	80
	Stephen Bathrick,	81	1887	Wid. Sarah P. Elliot,	82
	Sally, wid. Dea. J. Smith,	84		Betsey, w. Hollis Bolton,	86
1881	Joseph Howard,	80		Bernard F. Morris,	86
	John Gately,	80		Lucinda, wid. James Morse,	90
	Betsey Bacon, unm.,	87		Freeman Clark,	83
	Rev. Chandler Curtis,	86	1888	Widow Betsey Rich,	84
1882	Levi Graves,	93		Betsey, wid. T. Merriam,	89
	Miriam, wid. Sim. Warren.	80		Louise, wid. A. Phinney,	81
	Clarissa Flint,	86		Wid. Louise A. Tucker,	85
	Susan, wid. Jonas Miller,	80		Elijah Cady,	83
	Stillman Brooks,	85	1889	Lovey, w. Benj. Wyman,	84
	Edmund Proctor,	91		Asa Dike,	84
1883	Cynthia Bigelow, unm.,	85		Lucy, wid. Oliver Estey,	83
	Alice, wid. Asaph Gates,	88		Asa Raymond,	92
	Mary M. wid. T. Scolley,	83		Preston Ellis,	86
	Mahalet, wid. R. Peckham	83	1890	Susan, wid. John Mosman,	81
	Abner M. Drury,	82		Abigail wid. Won. Wears,	88
	Sally M., wid. Otis Titus,	93	1891	Brucie, wid. Walter V. Carr,	85
	Sally P., w. Geo. Adams,	85		Thomas H. Steavens,	80
	Peggy, wid. M. Divoll,	88		Rev. Levi Warner,	82
	Hannah Tarbell,	84		Widow Eunice Carter,	84
1884	Jacob Sawin,	84		Sophronia, wid. J. Lewis,	82
	Read Merriam,	80		Sarah Williams, widow,	84
	Aaron Rice,	90	1892	Catharine F., wid. L. Minott,	86
	George Adams,	88		Hollis Bolton,	92
	John Sawin,	83		Isaac Seaver,	83
	Cynthia C. Powers,	89		Widow Lucretia Gould,	91
	Sarah Winship,	80		Jonas Cutler,	80
1885	John Lewis,	85		Evalina Graves,	87
	George Wood,	80		Mary Miles,	84
	James Puffer,	87			

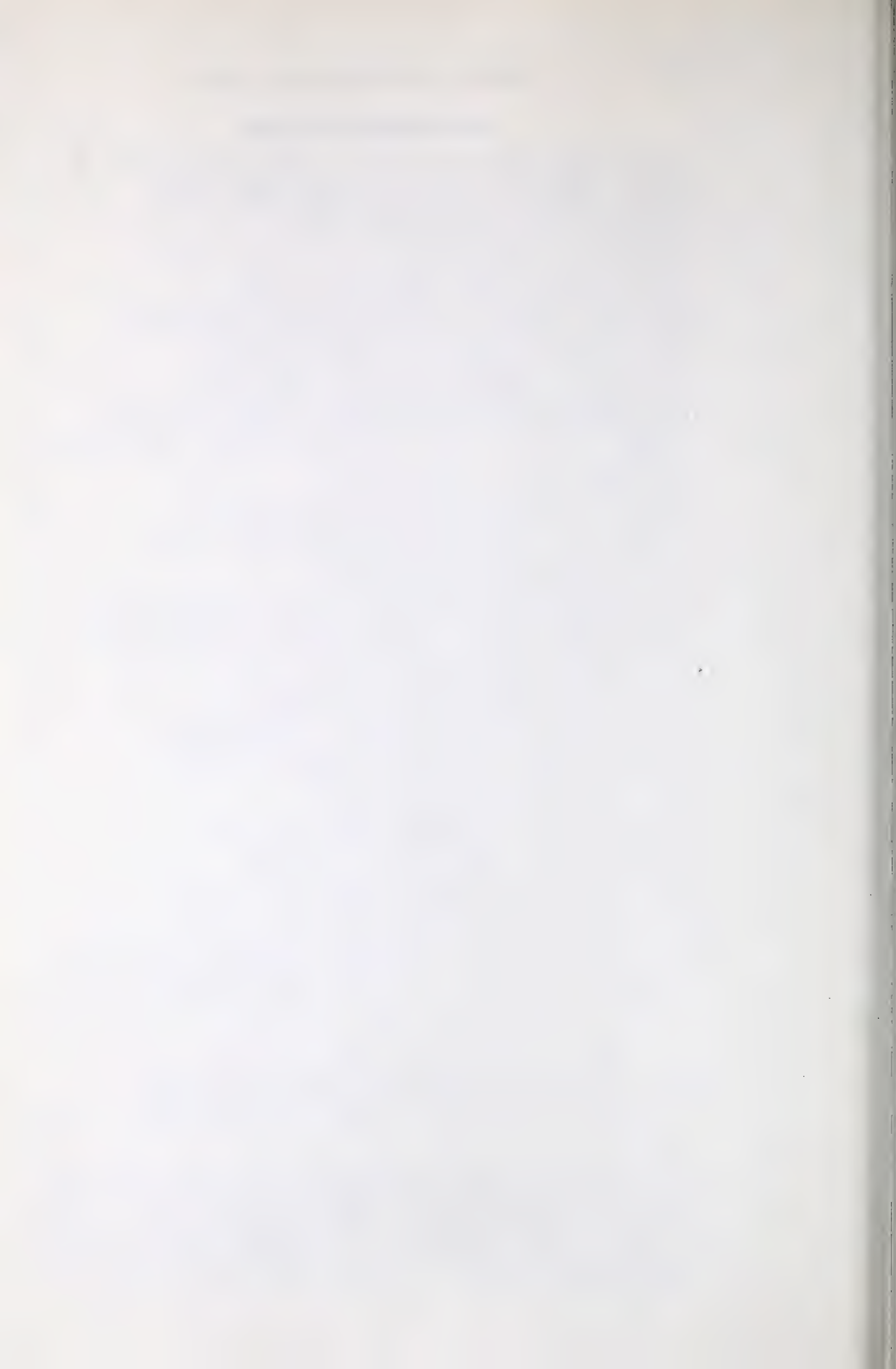
Of the three hundred and thirty-two persons whose names appear in the above catalogue, sixty-seven attained the age of ninety years, and three it is claimed, though there is some doubt in regard to the validity of such claim, were centenarians. At the first "Old Folks' Picnic," held in June, 1878, there were in town one hundred and thirty-six persons seventy years old and upwards, while at the last meeting, which took place Aug. 17, 1892, there were one hundred and twenty-eight equally advanced in life.



ACCIDENTAL DEATHS.

- BARNES, THEODOSIA, 69; thrown from a carriage, April 19, 1872.
 BEAMAN, PHINEAS W.; burned in a coal pit, Sept. 16, 1845.
 BROOKS, ALBERT E., 24; drowned at Readville, June 2, 1861.
 BROSAHAN, JOHN; fell from his wagon, 1873.
 BURPEE, JOEL S., 67; injured in chair factory, Dec. 22, 1879.
 BUSHNELL, ———; Sept. 1, 1872.
 CAREY, JAMES M.; killed on railroad, July 24, 1886.
 COOK, LEVI; drowned in Meetinghouse Pond, Jan. 16, 1889.
 CUNNINGHAM, ISABELLE, 23; bite of a mad dog, April 14, 1878.
 DAMON, WILLIAM, 7; burned in his father's house, 1781.
 DANBY, DANIEL; scalded in paper mill, June 3, 1869.
 DAY, MICHAEL; crushed by a falling tree, Aug. 5, 1869.
 DERBY, EZRA, 46; fell into the fire and fatally burned, April 2, 1823.
 DERBY, WALTER; fell into a well and drowned, March 13, 1855.
 FOSTER, LOWELL, 27; killed in powder mill explosion, Acton, March 12, 1878.
 GIBBS, BENJAMIN F. D.; railroad accident.
 GIBBS, ———; burned in house on cemetery grounds, 17—.
 GOODWIN, GEORGE L.; killed by cars at Boston.
 HAMMOND, ———; blasting rocks on railroad, April 3, 1847.
 HASKELL, ALBERT H.; drowned, Jan. 29, 1877.
 HATFIELD, JAMES; drowned, June 6, 1875.
 HOWE, FRANKLIN, 41; broke through ice and drowned, Dec. 20, 1861.
 KEYES, FRANCIS, 32; injured by paper machinery, March 28, 1851.
 KNOWER, HORACE B., 59; run over by cars at Gardner, Oct. 7, 1885.
 LEARY, PATRICK; found dead, Feb. 12, 1876.
 LUCAS, HENRY A., 18; fatally injured at paper mill, Jan. 9, 1863.
 MCINTIRE, JOHN; killed by cars, Aug. 11, 1890.
 MERRIAM, STILLMAN, 6; crushed by a falling rock, 1835.
 MILLER, AMOS, 53; kicked to death by a horse, Jan. 6, 1866.
 NEWELL, WILLIAM A.; killed on the railroad, Feb. 5, 1891.
 O'CONNER, THOMAS; drowned, July 12, 1891.
 PAGE, GEORGE E.; drowned, Sept. 19, 1880.
 PERRY, NANCY, 13; struck by lightning, Aug. 23, 1845.
 RAYMOND, GEORGE L.; drowned at Concord.
 RICE, THEODORE, 20; froze to death, Dec. 14, 1860.
 RICHARDSON, LEVI; froze to death, Jan. 2, 1855.
 SAWIN, ANNIE M., 8; crushed by a falling log, July 25, 1827.
 SEAVER, ETTA; drowned, May 25, 1870.
 SEAVER, NORMAN, 1st; fell from meetinghouse frame, July 31, 1878.
 SEAVER, NORMAN, 2d, 5; fell at Merriam's chair factory, Aug. 28, 1879.
 SYLVESTER, LOWELL M., 24; fatally shot, Winchester, N. H., Oct. 14, 1871.
 UNDERWOOD, GEORGE L., 16; drowned in Meetinghouse Pond, Aug. 10, 1876.
 WARNER, LEVI; thrown from carriage at Fitchburg, June 24th, died June 26, 1891.
 WOOD, MOSES, 14; drowned at Wachusett Pond, Dec 11, 1777.
 WOOD, NATHAN, JR., 34; thrown from a wagon, Nov. 25, 1836.
 WORTHINGTON, CHARLES S., 14; drowned in Meetinghouse Pond, July 13, 1873.

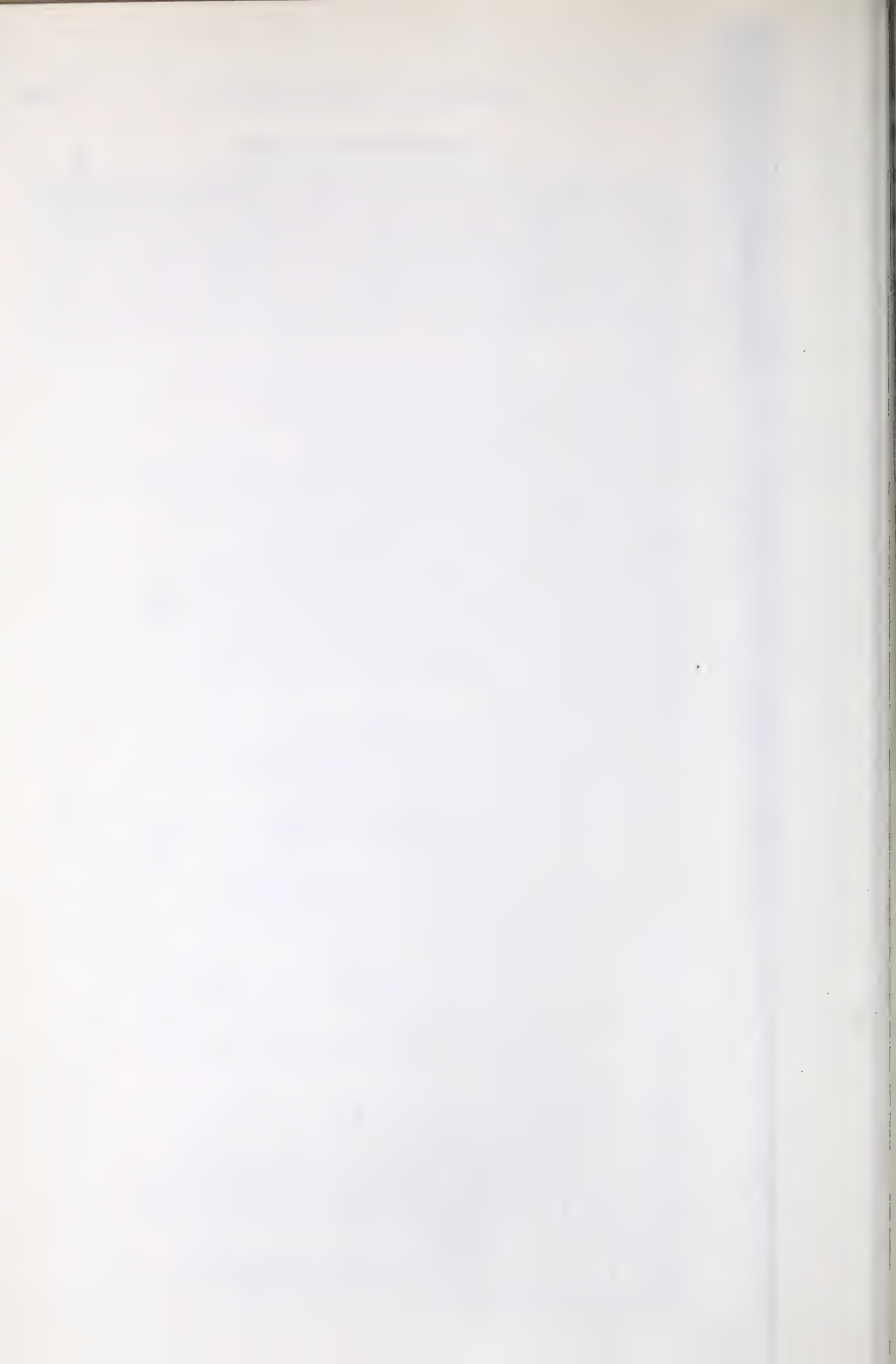
Numerous instances of sudden death by apoplexy, heart disease, and kindred ailments are on record, but it has not been deemed desirable to catalogue them here. For reasons that will readily suggest themselves to the reader, the few cases of suicide in town that have been brought to the notice of the editor are also omitted.



CASUALTIES BY FIRE.

No record of the numerous buildings that have been destroyed by fire in Westminster has been found, and the list that appears below is therefore made up from such detached and casual data as have come incidentally to light. It has been found impossible to obtain dates in a few cases, and no doubt there are other omissions in the category. It makes no claim to absolute completeness, although so far as it goes it is deemed reasonably correct.

Academy, caused by an overheated stove, February, 1888.
 Bacon, Edward, dwelling house and attachments.
 Bacon, Charles M., barn, Oct. 3, 1890.
 Brooks, Asa, saw- and gristmill, about 1830.
 Brooks, Ivers, chair shop and machinery, July 3, 1857.
 Carr, John W., house, barn, and most of contents, Aug. 30, 1887.
 Coolidge, Fred S., chair manufactory, etc., October, 1876.
 Damon, Timothy, dwelling house and child, 1781.
 Dunn, John, dwelling house and belongings, 1815(?).
 Dupee, J. J. and L. H., barn and contents, July 14, 1870.
 Estabrook, Thomas, dwelling house, etc., May 25, 1825.
 Farnsworth, Asa, buildings formerly owned by him, Sept, 1868.
 Forbush, Albert, chair factory and contents.
 Getchell, Warren E., Raymond house, Oct. 25, 1887.
 Gibbs, Paul, house in cemetery lot,—daughter burned.
 Griffin, James A., barn and contents.
 Hadley, Josiah, house.
 Hager, Jonathan, dwelling house, 1772.
 Holden and Merriam, chair manufactory, 1869.
 Holden, Stephen, dwelling house, December, 1827.
 Learned, John, dwelling house, July 13, 1879.
 Liverpool, Joshua, Heywood house, Sept. 23, 1891.
 Lombard, Franklin, chair factory, June 11, 1855.
 Merriam, Jonas, barn and contents by lightning, Aug. 11, 1832.
 Mill (grist), at Narrows, about 1825.
 Mill, Lower paper, about 1868, and in 1877 and 1882.
 Mill, Upper paper, about 1869, and in 1878 and 1886.
 Mill, Red, near Bacon Street on Tophet Swamp brook.
 Monroe, John, dwelling house.
 Moore, Joshua, dwelling house, Feb. 8, 1823.
 Nichols Bros., chair factory and contents, Aug. 17, 1886.
 Partridge, Liberty, shop below sawmill.
 Pierce, Elisha, dwelling house, 1887.
 Puffer, Samuel, two houses, barns and contents, May 16, 1835.
 Record, ———, May house, Aug. 27, 1887.
 Reed, Phineas, barn and contents.
 Richardson, Levi, house.
 Sampson, Abraham, blacksmith's shop.
 Sawin, Charles, dwelling house.
 Sawyer, Amos, grist- and sawmill, about 1814.
 Sawyer, Eli, dwelling house owned by J. F. Burgess, about 1830.
 Sawyer, Eli, barn remaining on old place, Oct. 15, 1876.
 Seaver, Asahel R., dwelling house and contents, Dec. 8, 1838.
 Tavern, Miles', on old turnpike, 1848(?).
 Tottingham, Elisha, dwelling house.
 Towne, S. F., farm buildings—Wheeler place, June, 1862.
 Walker, Daniel, house—Isaac Seaver place, 1785(?).
 Wetherbee, Isaac, dwelling house.



Whitney, Abner, dwelling house.

Whitney, Joseph, dwelling house opposite James Puffer's.

Wood, Nathan, 2d, house on his old place, 188-.

Wyman, Benjamin, house on No-town road, 1861(?).

The Goodale saw- and gristmill, owned by Allen B. Wood, was wrecked by a disastrous flood, May, 1850.

NAMES LEGALLY CHANGED.

1815—Thomas Rice, son of Rev. Asaph, to Thomas Kinsay Rice.

1827—Samuel Read Puffer, son of Josiah, to Samuel Puffer.

1829—Samuel Brooks, son of Isaac, to Ira Brooks.

1831—Lucy Wiswall to Philomela Hamilton.

1832—Mary L. B. Wiswall to Mary Lyman.

1833—Jonadab Baker, son of Joel, to George Baker.

1834—James P. Twichell to James P. Appleton.

1836—Mehitable Rand to Ellen Mehitable Rand.

1839—Frances Asenath Swan, daughter of Samuel, to Frances Swan Ames.

1845—Francis D. Wheeler, son of Josiah, to Clinton D. Wheeler.

1845—Charles Whitney, 2d, to Charles Hubbard Whitney.

1845—George Whitney to George Edwin Whitney.

1845—Ebenezer White Sawtell to Walter Hubbard Farnsworth Sawtell.

1847—Austin Hoar and wife (West Boylston), to Austin Wilber Sidney, etc.

1850—Benjamin Munjoy and family to Benjamin Blake, etc.

1866—Ellen M. McLaughlin to Nellie A. Rice.

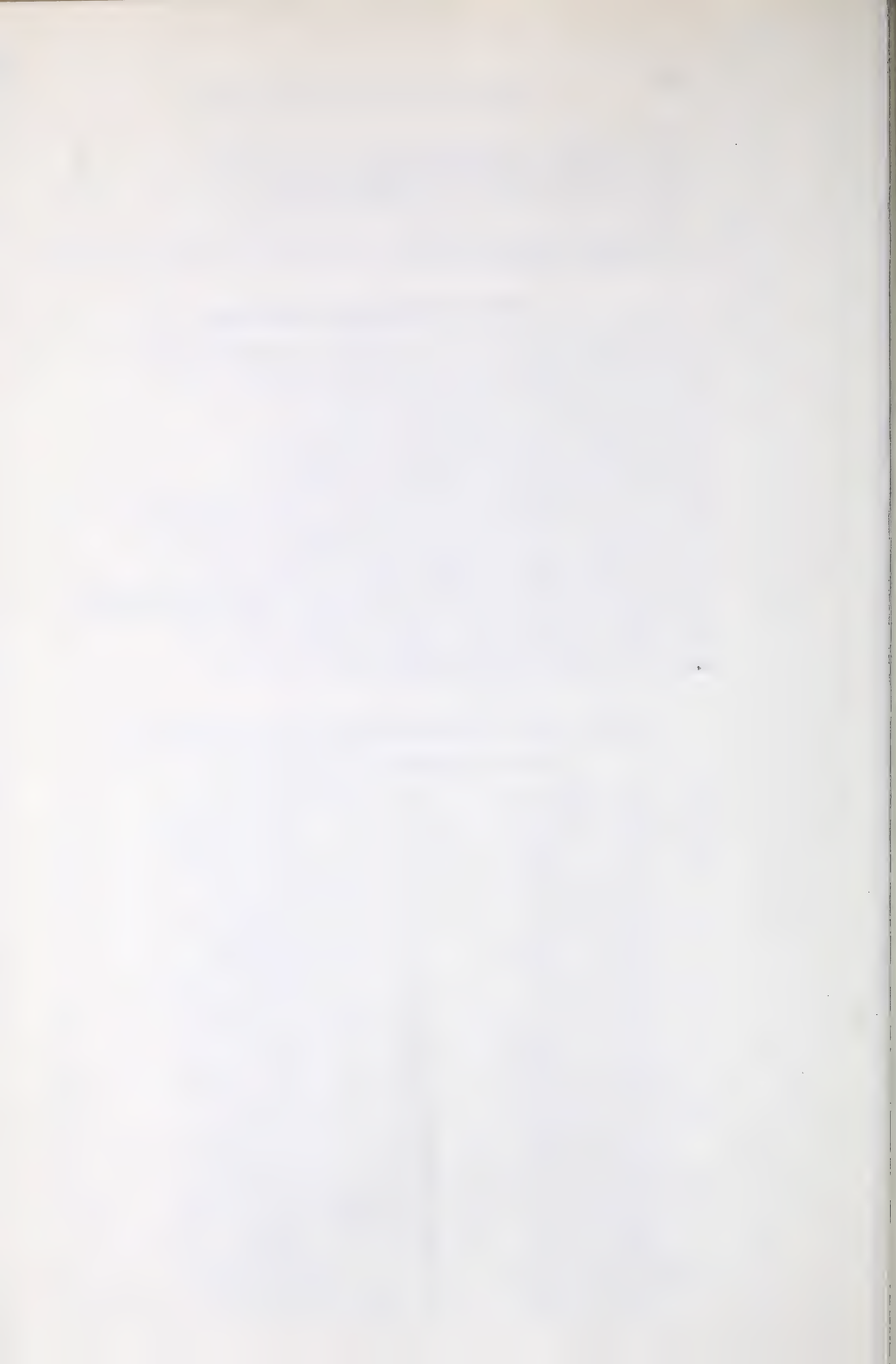
1868—William Henry Dow to William Henry Bigelow.

1883—Annie O'Neil to Hester Annie Carr.

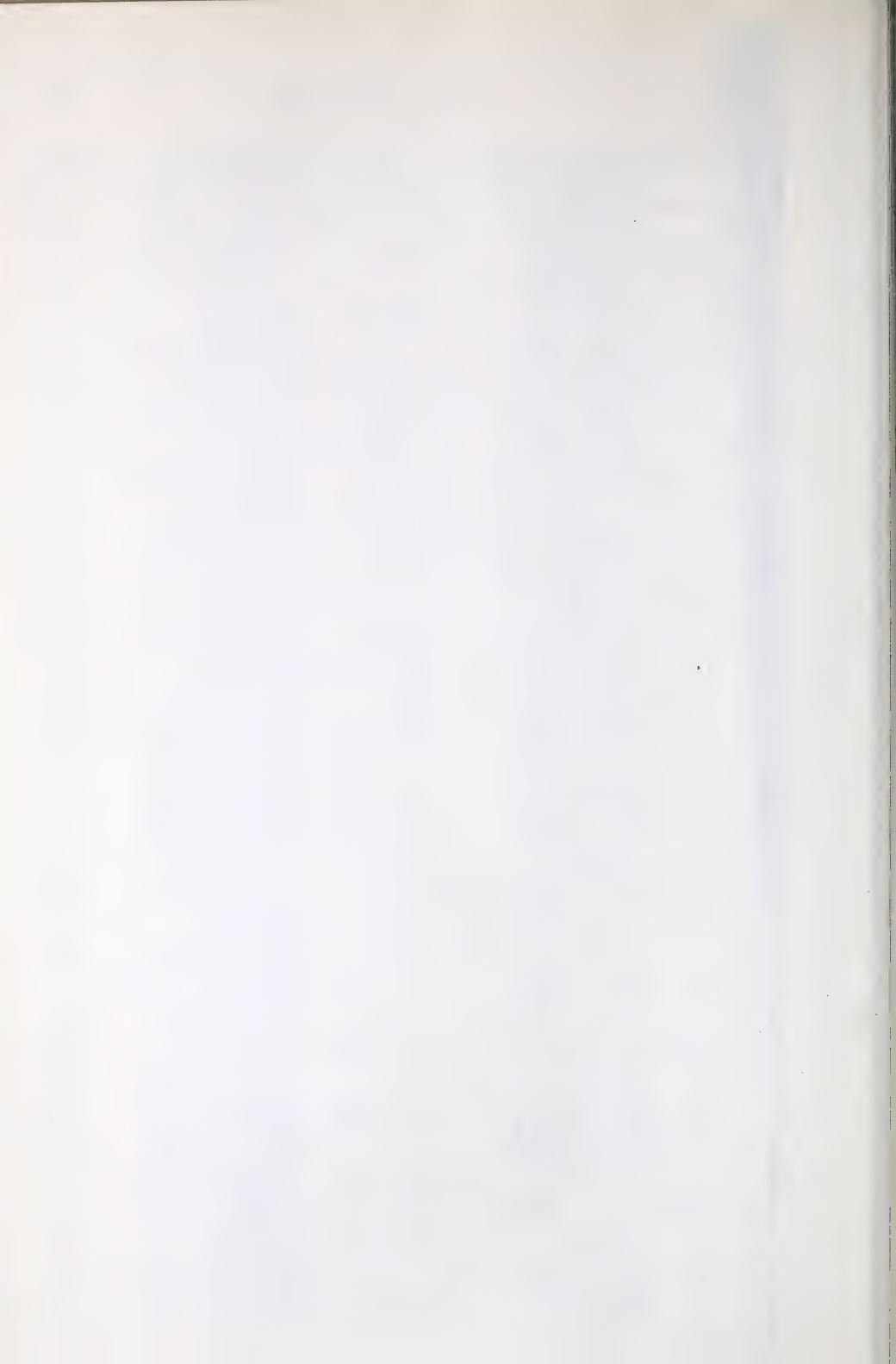
VOTES FOR GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Successful candidates are indicated by a *.

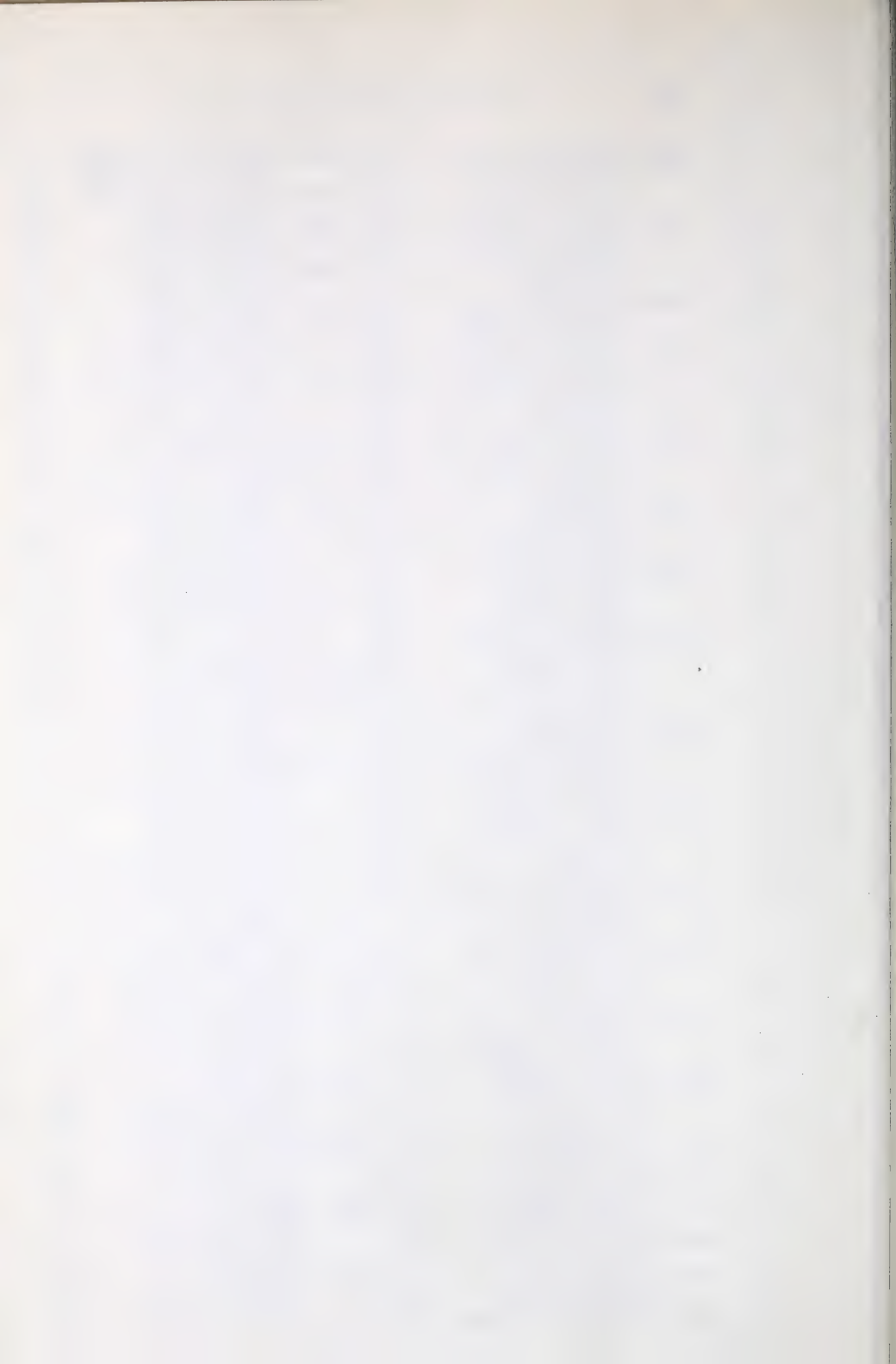
1780—*John Hancock 52	1791—*John Hancock 58
James Bowdoin 5	Benjamin Lincoln 4
1781—*John Hancock 34	1792— Francis Dana 20
James Bowdoin 12	*John Hancock 16
1782— Thomas Cushing 15	Scattering 25
*John Hancock 14	1793—*John Hancock 55
James Bowdoin 11	Francis Dana 1
1783—*John Hancock 22	Scattering 1
Benjamin Lincoln 6	1794—*Samuel Adams 35
James Bowdoin 1	William Cushing 17
1784—*John Hancock 12	Scattering 4
James Bowdoin 11	1795—*Samuel Adams 37
Oliver Prescott 3	Samuel Phillips 4
1785— Thomas Cushing 16	Scattering 2
Benjamin Lincoln 9	1796— Increase Sumner 58
1786—*James Bowdoin 29	Moses Gill 12
Benjamin Lincoln 1	Scattering 1
1787— John Hancock 63	1797—*Increase Sumner 67
*James Bowdoin 21	Moses Gill 9
Benjamin Lincoln 1	James Sullivan 9
1788—*John Hancock 84	1798—*Increase Sumner 43
Elbridge Gerry 2	1799—*Increase Sumner 68
1789—*John Hancock 64	Scattering 1
James Bowdoin 20	1800— Elbridge Gerry 48
Benjamin Lincoln 1	*Caleb Strong 45
1790—*John Hancock 21	Moses Gill 18
Thomas Cushing 13	1801—*Caleb Strong 73



1801— Elbridge Gerry	26	1827—*Levi Lincoln	123
1802—*Caleb Strong	109	Elijah H. Mills	23
Elbridge Gerry	31	William C. Jarvis	19
1803—*Caleb Strong	86	1828—*Levi Lincoln	124
Elbridge Gerry	12	Elijah H. Mills	2
Scattering	2	Scattering	2
1804—*Caleb Strong	121	1829— Samuel C. Allen	171
James Sullivan	7	*Levi Lincoln	31
1805—*Caleb Strong	148	Scattering	1
James Sullivan	36	1830—*Levi Lincoln	178
1806—*Caleb Strong	167	Marcus Morton	2
James Sullivan	45	Scattering	3
1807— Caleb Strong	173	1831—*Levi Lincoln	166
*James Sullivan	47	Marcus Morton	19
1808— Christopher Gore	169	Scattering	7
*James Sullivan	45	1831—*Levi Lincoln	134
Scattering	1	Samuel Lothrop	63
1809—*Christopher Gore	187	Marcus Morton	14
Levi Lincoln	54	Scattering	1
1810— Christopher Gore	177	1832—*Levi Lincoln	170
*Elbridge Gerry	49	Samuel Lothrop	47
1811— Christopher Gore	170	Marcus Morton	12
*Elbridge Gerry	50	Scattering	1
Scattering	1	1833—*John Davis	134
1812—*Caleb Strong	190	John Q. Adams	42
Elbridge Gerry	60	Marcus Morton	36
1813—*Caleb Strong	220	1834—*John Davis	212
Joseph B. Varnum	50	Marcus Morton	28
1814—*Caleb Strong	231	John Bailey	22
Samuel Dexter	56	1835—*Edward Everett	196
1815—*Caleb Strong	216	Marcus Morton	36
Samuel Dexter	54	1836—*Edward Everett	207
1816—*John Brooks	215	Marcus Morton	53
Samuel Dexter	50	1837—*Edward Everett	213
1817—*John Brooks	205	Marcus Morton	33
Henry Dearborn	49	1838—*Edward Everett	198
Scattering	1	Marcus Morton	113
1818—*John Brooks	188	1839— Edward Everett	175
Benj. W. Crowningshield,	40	*Marcus Morton	138
1819—*John Brooks	196	Scattering	1
Benj. W. Crowningshield,	48	1840—*John Davis	242
1820—*John Brooks	182	Marcus Morton	104
William Eustis	44	George W. Johnson	8
1821—*John Brooks	176	1841—*John Davis	215
William Eustis	26	Marcus Morton	95
Scattering	5	Lucius Boltwood	16
1822—*John Brooks	171	1842— John Davis	197
William Eustis	42	*Marcus Morton	89
Scattering	1	Samuel E. Sewall	49
1823— Harrison G. Otis	206	1843—*George N. Briggs	220
*William Eustis	61	Marcus Morton	98
1824— Samuel Lothrop	199	Samuel E. Sewall	36
*William Eustis	73	1844—*George N. Briggs	242
Scattering	1	George Bancroft	100
1825—*Levi Lincoln	139	Samuel E. Sewall	37
Elijah H. Mills	3	1845—*George N. Briggs	205
Scattering	1	Isaac Davis	76
1826— James Lloyd	75	Samuel E. Sewall	37
Samuel Hubbard	73	1846—*George N. Briggs	190
*Levi Lincoln	71	Isaac Davis	81
Scattering	1	Samuel E. Sewall	50



1846—	Scattering	3	1866—*	Alexander H. Bullock	210
1847—	*George N. Briggs	207		Theodore H. Sweetser	30
	Caleb Cushing	113	1867—	*Alexander H. Bullock	244
	Samuel E. Sewall	42		John Q. Adams	68
1848—	Stephen C. Phillips	177	1868—	*William Claflin	267
	*George N. Briggs	131		John Q. Adams	59
	Caleb Cushing	65	1869—	*William Claflin	161
	Scattering	1		John Q. Adams	50
1849—	*George N. Briggs	152	1870—	*William Claflin	144
	Stephen C. Phillips	140		John Q. Adams	67
	George S. Boutwell	80		Wendell Phillips	15
1850—	Stephen C. Phillips	148	1871—	*William B. Washburn	168
	George N. Briggs	131		John Q. Adams	65
	*George S. Boutwell	82		Robert C. Pitman	13
	Scattering	1		Scattering	1
1851—	Robert C. Winthrop	150	1872—	*William B. Washburn	245
	John G. Palfrey	134		Frank W. Bird	70
	*George S. Boutwell	75	1873—	*William B. Washburn	181
	Scattering	4		William Gaston	75
1852—	Horace Mann	150	1874—	Thomas Talbot	169
	*John H. Clifford	144		*William Gaston	106
	Henry W. Bishop	73	1875—	*Alexander H. Rice	190
1853—	*Emory Washburn	146		William Gaston	84
	Henry Wilson	145	1876—	*Alexander H. Rice	225
	Henry W. Bishop	75		Charles F. Adams	65
1854—	*Henry J. Gardner	136		Jonas G. Baker	55
	Emory Washburn	79	1877—	*Alexander H. Rice	156
	Henry Wilson	50		William Gaston	68
	Henry W. Bishop	41	1878—	*Thomas Talbot	236
	Scattering	1		Benjamin F. Butler	50
1855—	Julius Rockwell	163		Alonzo A. Miner	3
	Erasmus D. Beach	83	1879—	*John D. Long	234
	Samuel H. Walley	40		Benjamin F. Butler	35
	*Henry J. Gardner	29		John Q. Adams	13
1856—	*Henry J. Gardner	170		Daniel C. Eddy	3
	Erasmus D. Beach	57	1880—	*John D. Long	288
	George W. Gordon	12		Charles P. Thompson	61
	Scattering	7	1881—	*John D. Long	114
1857—	*Nathaniel P. Banks	181		Charles P. Thompson	30
	Henry J. Gardner	21		Charles Almy	1
	Scattering	1	1882—	Rodolphus R. Bishop	248
1858—	*Nathaniel P. Banks	198		*Benjamin F. Butler	63
	E. D. Beach	79	1883—	*George D. Robinson	250
	Amos A. Lawrence	10		Benjamin F. Butler	62
	Scattering	1	1884—	*George D. Robinson	222
1859—	*Nathaniel P. Banks	174		William E. Endicott	70
	Benjamin F. Butler	88		Julius H. Seelye	14
	George N. Briggs	4		Scattering	1
1860—	*John A. Andrew	246	1885—	*George D. Robinson	115
	E. D. Beach	58		Frederic O. Prince	32
	A. A. Lawrence	26		Thomas J. Lothrop	19
	B. F. Butler	3	1886—	*Oliver Ames	139
1861—	*John A. Andrew	161		John F. Andrew	48
	Isaac Davis	50		Thomas J. Lothrop	12
1862—	*John A. Andrew	181	1887—	*Oliver Ames	172
	Charles Devens, Jr.	56		Henry B. Lovering	58
1863—	*John A. Andrew	165		William H. Earle	15
	Henry W. Paine	36	1888—	*Oliver Ames	221
1864—	*John A. Andrew	249		William E. Russell	81
	Henry W. Paine	43		William H. Earle	10
1865—	*Alexander H. Bullock	193	1889—	*J. Q. A. Brackett	134

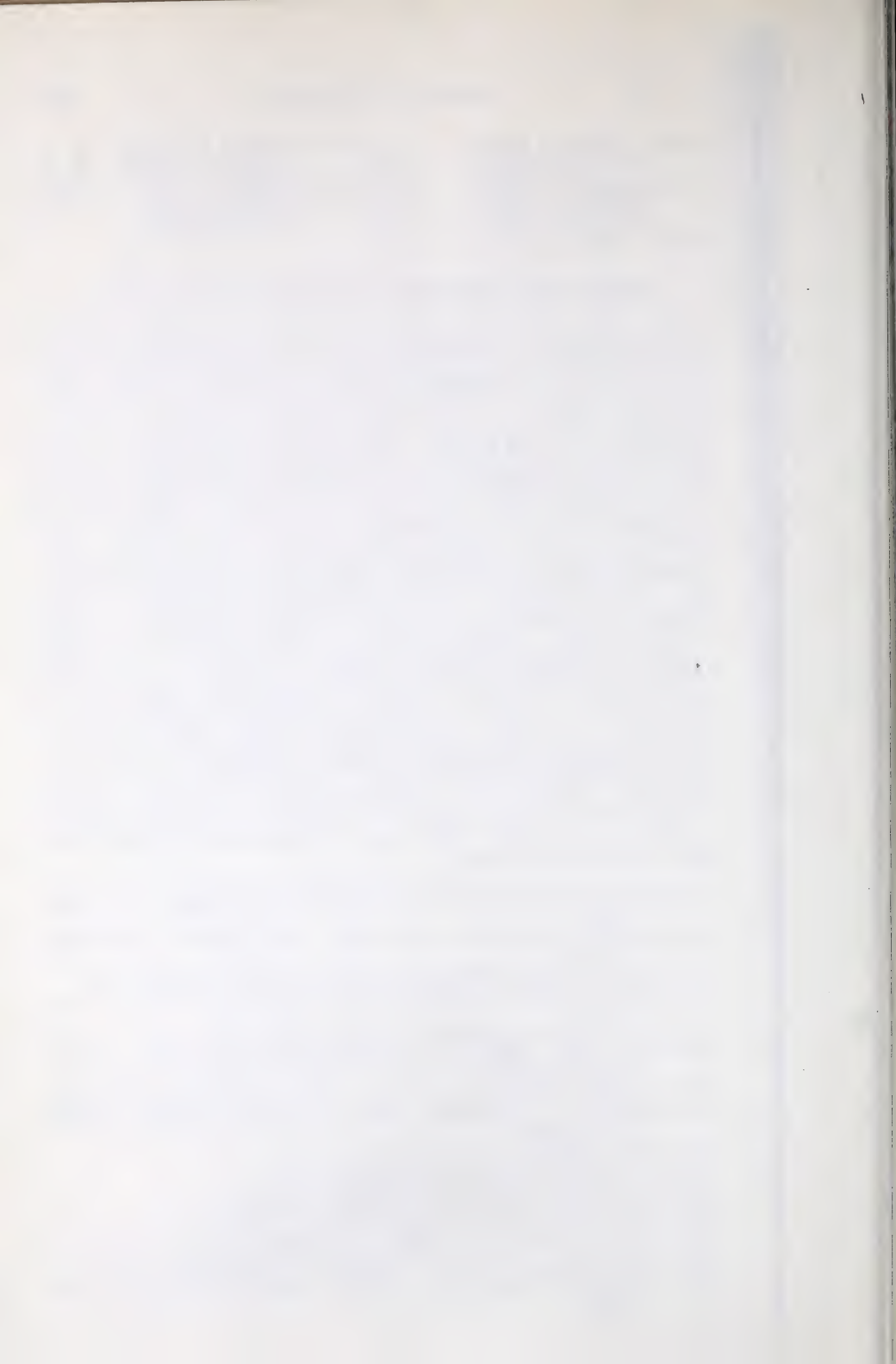


1889— William E. Russell . . . 72	1891—*William E. Russell . . . 73
W. W. Blackmer . . . 20	Charles G. Kimball . . . 18
1890— J. Q. A. Brackett . . . 140	1892— William H. Haile . . . 226
*William E. Russell . . . 67	*William E. Russell . . . 84
W. W. Blackmer . . . 26	Walcott Hamlin . . . 18
1891— Charles H. Allen . . . 172	

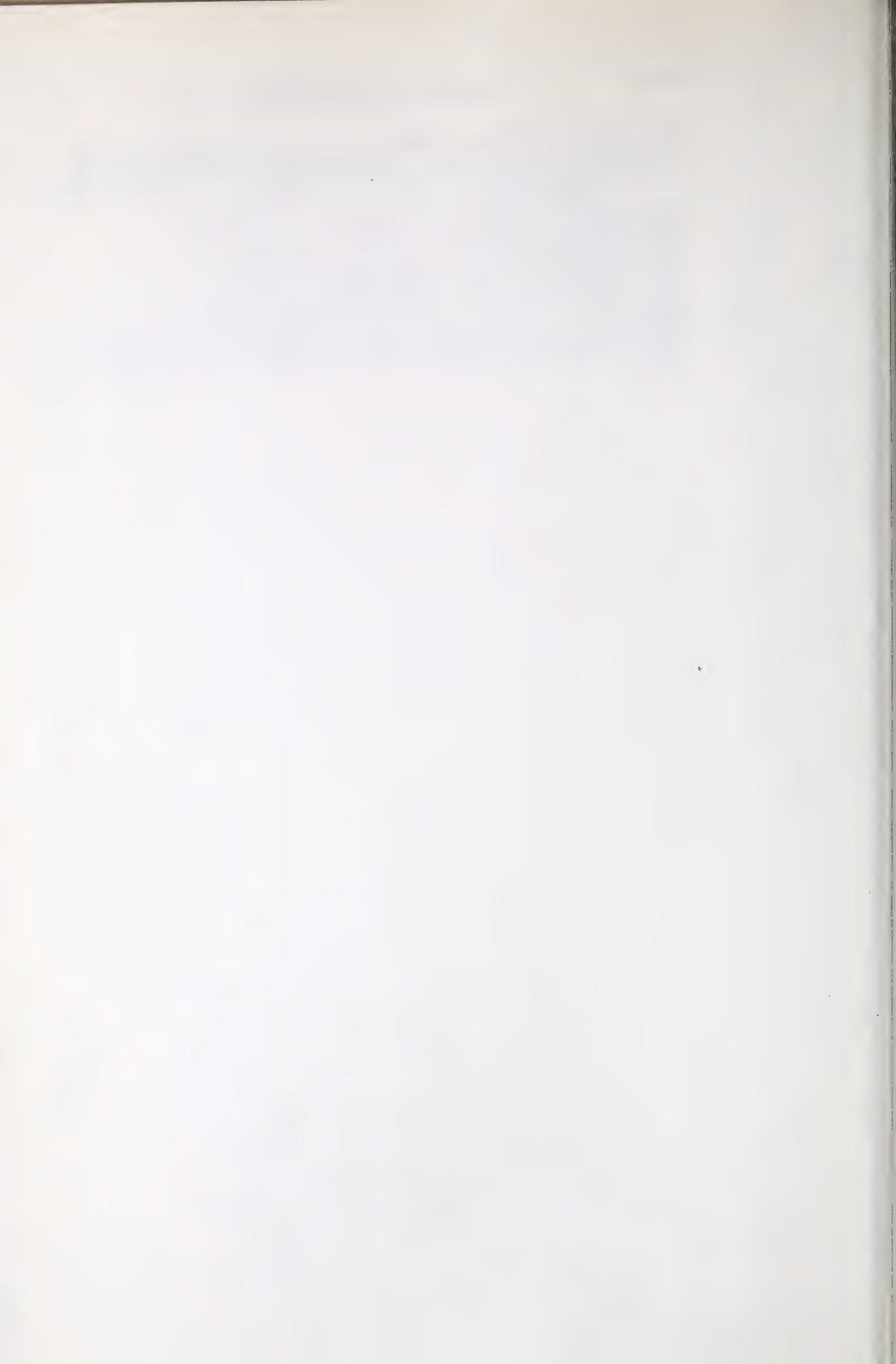
VOTES FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

For many years after the formation of the Federal government there was no established system of choosing Presidential Electors in this Commonwealth, the method changing from time to time at the discretion of the Legislature. In 1788 the State was divided into eight districts, each district being empowered to vote for two candidates for the office, of whom one should be chosen by the Legislature, in addition to two *at large* to be similarly chosen. In 1792 there were four districts of varying size, Westminster being in the 4th Western, to which the right of choosing five Electors was granted. The people failing of a choice, the Legislature filled the vacancies. In 1796 there were fourteen districts, each entitled to one Elector and voting only for one. In 1800 the General Court chose the entire Board without any action on the part of the people. The same was true in 1808 and 1816. In 1804 there were nineteen Electors voted for by the whole people, all on one ticket. In 1812 the State was divided into six districts, the one to which this town belonged choosing six Electors. In 1820 the plan was adopted of having one Elector to each Congressional District and two *at large* on one ticket, to be chosen by the entire voting population. And this plan has continued to the present time. The vote of Westminster at each election has been as follows:

- 1788—Number of votes cast, 78; presumably for *Washington. (See page 189.)
- 1792—Highest vote cast, 30. No choice in this district. *Washington elected.
- 1796—*John Adams, Federalist, received 45 votes; no opposition.
- 1800—Electors chosen by Legislature. Rep. voted for Adams. *Jefferson elected.
- 1804—John Adams had 126 votes; *Thomas Jefferson, 28.
- 1808—Election by Legislature. Mass. voted for C. C. Pinckney. *James Madison elected.
- 1812—De Witt Clinton, Federalist, 179; *James Madison, Republican, 29.
- 1816—Election by Legislature. Mass. voted for Rufus King. *James Monroe elected.
- 1820—*James Monroe, 51; no opposition.
- 1824—*John Quincy Adams, 128; no opposition.
- 1828—John Quincy Adams, 126; *Andrew Jackson, 1.
- 1832—Henry Clay, 168; William Wirt, 44; *Andrew Jackson, 13.
- 1836—Daniel Webster, 194; *Martin Van Buren, 50.
- 1840—*Wm. H. Harrison, 247; Martin Van Buren, 96; James G. Binney, 9.
- 1844—Henry Clay, 215; *James K. Polk, 96; James G. Binney, 50.
- 1848—Martin Van Buren, 195; *Zachary Taylor, 129; Lewis Cass, 80; Scot., 1.



- 1852—Winfield Scott, 146; John P. Hale, 143; *Franklin Pierce, 72.
1856—John C. Fremont, 293; *James Buchanan, 54; Millard Filmore, 16.
1860—*Abraham Lincoln, 252; S. A. Douglas, 57; John Bell, 23; J. C. Breckenridge, 3.
1864—*Abraham Lincoln, 248; George B. McClellan, 43.
1868—*Ulysses S. Grant, 274; Horatio Seymour, 51.
1872—*Ulysses S. Grant, 245; Horace Greeley, 69.
1876—*Rutherford B. Hayes, 286; Samuel J. Tilden, 61.
1880—*James A. Garfield, 288; Winfield S. Hancock, 61.
1884—James G. Blaine, 221; *Grover Cleveland, 61; John St. John, 1.
1888—*Benjamin Harrison, 221; Grover Cleveland, 70; Clinton B. Fisk, 10.
1892—Benjamin Harrison, 243; *Grover Cleveland, 77; John Bidwell, 18.



CHAPTER XXIV.

PROFESSIONAL AND OFFICIAL PORTFOLIO.

GRADUATES—MEMBERS OF PROFESSIONS—PUBLIC OFFICERS—
VOTING LIST, 1892.

OF the large number of persons born in Westminster during the entire period of its history but few have shared the privileges of a collegiate education or been crowned with the honors of a professional career. Yet are they worthy of special mention in these pages, as are those, native or otherwise, who have pursued what are deemed the higher callings of life in this community, or been raised by their fellow-citizens to important positions of trust and responsibility in the public service. And to the chronicling of the names of such the closing chapter of the *First Part* of this work is particularly devoted.

The lists herein presented are no doubt more or less incomplete, but as far as they go are believed to be correct. The classification includes a few persons long resident and well known in town who were born elsewhere. They can be determined without difficulty by referring to the register of the family to which they belonged in subsequent pages, where appropriate notices of those mentioned will have a place.

COLLEGE GRADUATES.

[The letters indicate several well-known New England institutions.]

<i>Name.</i>	<i>College.</i>	<i>Year.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>College.</i>	<i>Year.</i>
Bigelow, Abijah . . .	D. C.	1795	Miles, Asa	D. C.	1787
Bemis, Stephen . . .	D. C.	1798	Miles, Clough R. . .	H. C.	1817
Bigelow, Thaddeus B.	H. C.	1820	Miles, John	B. U.	1794
Bradbury, Edward E..	A. C.	1856	Miles, Noah	D. C.	1780
Bradbury, William F..	A. C.	1856	Moore, Arad	A. C.	1828
Cook, Amos	D. C.	1802	Peckham, Joseph . . .	A. C.	1837
Cook, Samuel J. . . .	D. C.	1802	Perry, Joseph	D. C.	1811
Coolidge, Cora H. . .	S. C.	1892	Sawyer, Aaron F. . . .	D. C.	1805
Cummings, Henry . .	A. C.	1847	Sawyer, George S. . .	D. C.	1839
Gaut, J. Russell . . .	A. C.	1842	Sawyer, William . . .	H. C.	1800
Gill, Moses	H. C.	1805	Smith, Artemas B. . .	A. C.	1868
Hager, Moses	H. C.	1831	Smith, Henry M. . . .	A. C.	1851
Howe, George M. . . .	A. C.	1871	Ward, John	D. C.	1847
Hudson, John W. . . .	H. C.	1856	Whitney, Moses	D. C.	1817
Hurd, Albert G. . . .	C. U.	1892	Wood, Abel	D. C.	1843
Kendall, Charles . . .	A. C.	1839	Wood, B. Franklin . .	D. C.	1841
Mayo, Hamilton . . .	D. C.	1873	Wood, Joseph	D. C.	1815
McIntire, Farrington .	H. C.	1843	Wood, Theodore S. . .	A. C.	1832
Merriam, A. Holden . .	D. C.	1840	Wyman, Henry H. . . .	B. C.	1871
Merriam, Franklin . .	WAT. C.	1837	Wyman, Joel	H. C.	1825

1900-1901

Graduates of Massachusetts Agricultural College.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Year.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Year.</i>
Curtis, Wolfred F.	1874	Minott, Charles W.	1883
Flagg, Charles Otis	1872	Mossman, Fred	1890
Miles, George M.	1875		

Graduates of Worcester Technical School.

Allen, Charles L.	1879	Whitney, Leon A.	1886
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Graduates of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary.

Warner, Adalaide S.	1886	Warner, Mary A. Reg. 1883. Adv. 1886	
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NATIVE CLERGYMEN.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Denomination.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Denomination.</i>
Bemis, Stephen	Cong. Trin.	Miles, John	Cong. Unit.
Gill, Moses	Cong. Trin.	Miles, Noah	Cong. Trin.
Heywood, Wm. S.	Cong. Unit.	Peckham, Joseph	Cong. Trin.
Howe, George M.	Cong. Trin.	Puffer, Stephen	Methodist.
Kendall, Charles	Cong. Trin.	Sawin, Addison A.	Baptist.
McIntire, Farrington M.	Cong. Unit.	Wood, Abel	Cong. Trin.
Merriam, Asaph	Baptist.	Wood, Joseph	Cong. Trin.
Merriam, Franklin	Baptist.	Wyman, Henry H.	Rom. Cath.

NATIVE PHYSICIANS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Coolidge, Joseph F.	Groton.	Rice, Asaph	Westr.
Cutting, Flavel	Westr.	Seaver, J. M.	Oakham.
Green, Orange H.	N. Y. City.	Sidney, Austin W.	Fitchburg.
Mann, Cyrus S.	Brooklyn.	White, John	Westr.
Miles, Asa	Westr.	White, John L.	Bloom. Ill.
Page, Charles H.	Danvers.	Wyman, Joel C.	Beaufort, S. C.

NATIVE LAWYERS.

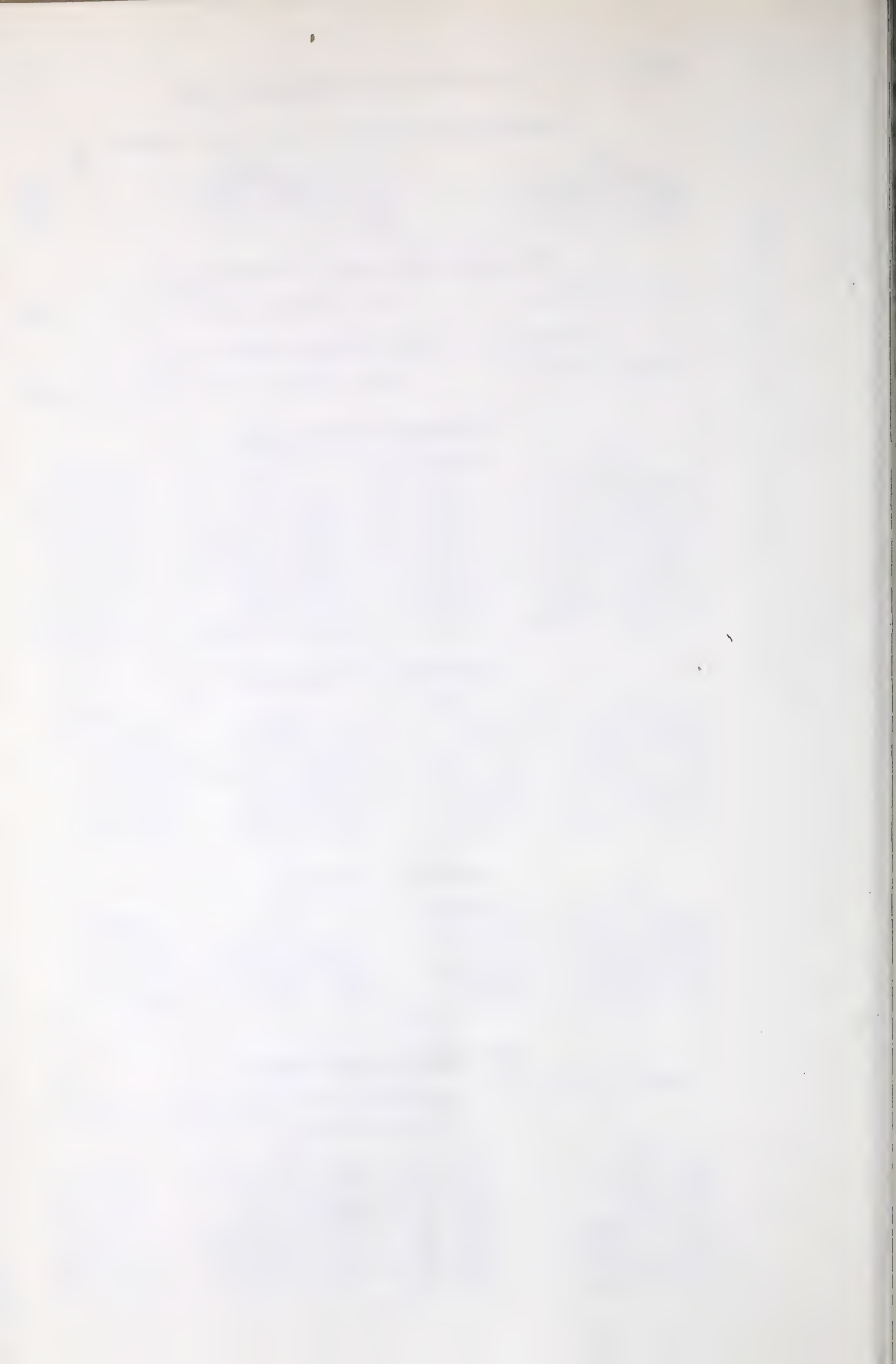
<i>Name.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
Bigelow, Abijah	Worcester.	Sawyer, Geo. S.	Louisiana.
Hudson, John W.	Boston.	Sawyer, William	Exeter, N. H.
Mayo, Hamilton	Leominster.	Smith, Artemas B.	N. Y. City.
Miles, Clough R.	Millbury.	Ward, John	Detroit.
Sawyer, Aaron F.	Nashua, N. H.		

RESIDENT CLERGYMEN,

Under their respective denominational names, with dates of service.

CONGREGATIONALIST.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>
Elisha Marsh	1742-1757	William H. Hitchcock	1862-1867
Asaph Rice	1765-1816	A. Judson Rich	1867-1870
Cyrus Mann	1815-1842	William H. Cutler	1870-1872
Stephen S. Smith	1842-1850	Charles E. Coolidge	1874-1882
Orlando N. White	1851-1854	Charles M. Palmer	1883-1891
Marcus Ames	1856-1859	Walter P. Taylor	1891 —
Brown Emerson	1859-1862		



UNIVERSALIST.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>
Levi Briggs	1822-1824	De Witt C. O'Daniels . .	1854-1856
Charles Hudson	1824-1840	George W. Whitney . . .	1866-1867
Paul Dean	1841-1844	Frederick A. Benton . .	1867-1868
Edward Turner	1844-1846	George Proctor	1869-1870
Varnum Lincoln	1846-1849	S. J. Beals	1870-1872
Quincy Whitney	1851-1854	Gardner Pastors	1875

BAPTIST.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>From</i>
Appleton Morse	1830-1831	Martin Byrne	1850-1851
Amasa Sanderson	1831-1832	J. H. Lerner	1862-1865
David Wright	1835-1836	Edward Mills	1865-1867
Caleb Brown	1836-1839	Robert G. Johnson . . .	1867-1871
George D. Felton	1840-1842	Watson A. Worthington,	1871-1875
Chandler Curtis	1843-1845	Joseph Barber	1875-1883
Jonathan E. Forbush . .	1845-1847	Lyman Partridge	1883-1892
George Carpenter	1847-1850		

PRACTISING PHYSICIANS.

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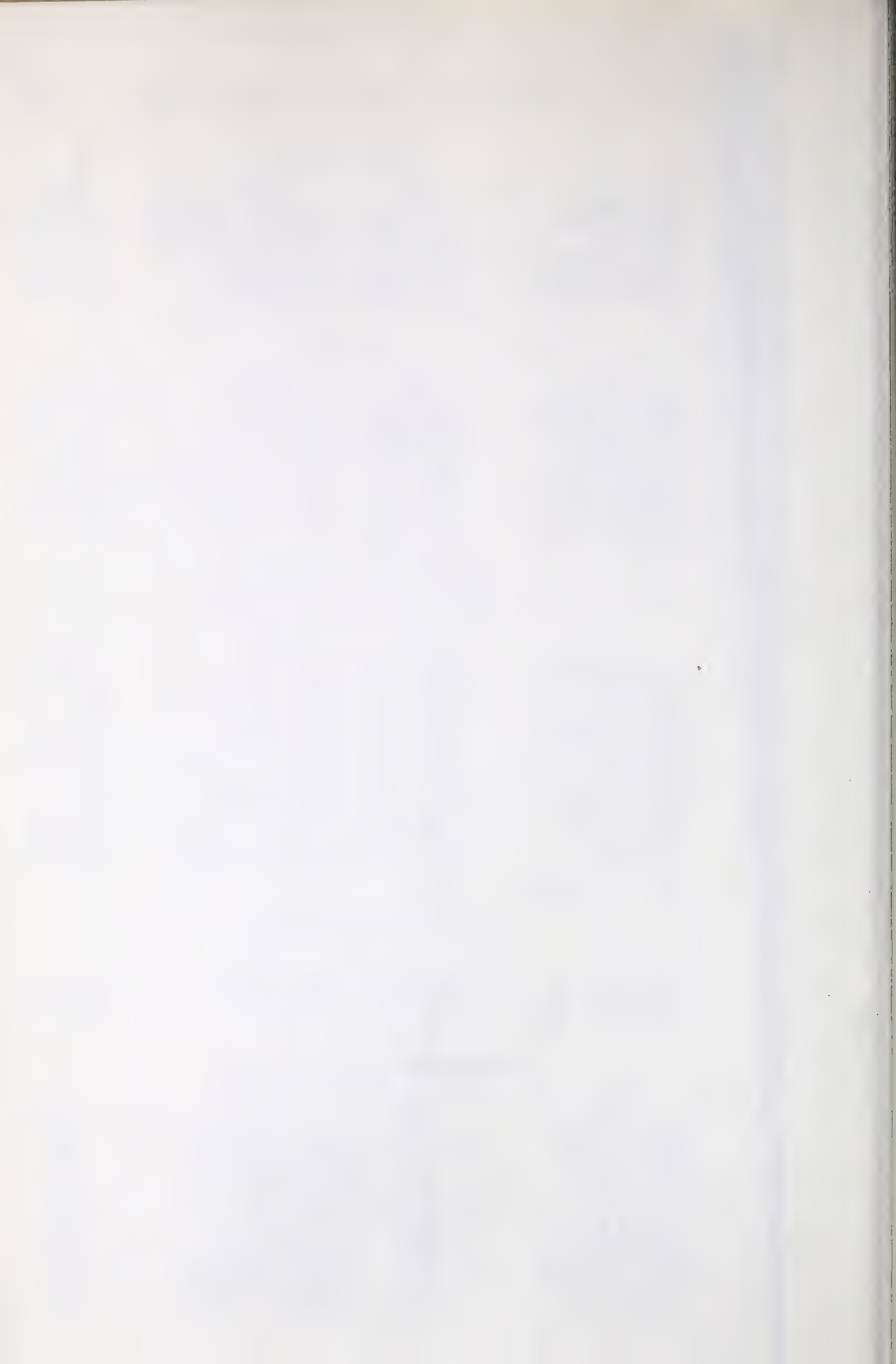
<i>Name.</i>	<i>Date.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Date.</i>
Jeremiah Everett	1763-1783	Flavel Cutting	1822-1853
Zachariah Harvey	1767-1783	Milton Fuller	1825
Israel Green	1778	Elijah Darling	1826-1832
Daniel Bartlett	1783-1819	John White	1824-1852
Abishai Shumway	1786-1830	Avery G. Williams	1840-1859
Asa Miles	1791-1805	Henry M. Lincoln	1852-1853
Benjamin Marshall	1801-1812	William Lincoln	1853
Jacob Holmes	1805-1808	Clinton Warner	1854-1870
Isaac Warren	1809-1815	W. H. H. Shepard	1866-1886
Silas Pearson	1810-1824	George B. Swazey	1876-1884
Asaph Rice	1812-1820	Alvaro E. Mossman	1884
James H. Brainard	1820		

PRACTISING LAWYERS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Date.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Date.</i>
Solomon Strong	1805-1820	Giles H. Whitney	1842-1848
Alexander Dustin	1810-1826	John Todd	1849-1853
Simeon Sanderson	1824-1841		

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
Thomas Bridgen	1772(?)	Merari Spalding	1824
Nicholas Dike	1778	Simeon Sanderson	1825
Abner Holden	1786	Joseph Whitman	1825
Ebenezer Jones	17—	Wonder Wears	1833
Abel Wood	1805	John White	1836
Solomon Strong	1806	Charles Hudson	1841(?)
Jonas Whitney	1807	Ezra Wood	1843
Hayman Wheeler	1809	Giles H. Whitney	1843
Alexander Dustin	1810	Joseph M. Whitman	1846
Edward Kendall	1821	Benjamin Wyman	1847



JUSTICES OF THE PEACE (continued).

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
William S. Bradbury	1847	James B. Wood	1865
Harrison G. Whitney	1851	Leander H. Dupee	1875
George Kendall	1851	Charles G. Giles	1875
Benjamin Wyman	1852	Edward S. Kendall	1884
Edward Kendall	1855	Cornelius E. Wood	1885
Joseph Hager	1858	S. Dwight Simonds	1885
John Minott	1858	Hobart Raymond	1890
Joel Merriam, Jr.	1858	Amos B. Holden	1892
Daniel C. Miles	1865		

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE AND QUORUM.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
Michael Gill	1816	Josiah Howe	18--

TRIAL JUSTICES.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
William S. Bradbury	1851

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
Leander H. Dupee	1875	Edward S. Kendall	1887
Charles G. Giles	1875		

CORONERS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
Jonas Miles	1792	Willard Allen	1841
Isaac Miles	1803	Frederic Allen	1854
Luke Bigelow	1810		

DEPUTY SHERIFFS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Appd.</i>
Jeremiah Gager	177-	Oliver Adams	1816
Edmund Barnard	1783	Ebenezer Jones	1819
John Hoar	1806	Henry Coolidge	1827
Zadoc Sawyer	1807	Phineas W. Reed	1840
Tilly Baldwin	1814		

CIVIL AND POLITICAL STATISTICS.

OFFICERS OF NARRAGANSETT NO. 2—1733-1759.

Original Proprietors' Committee.

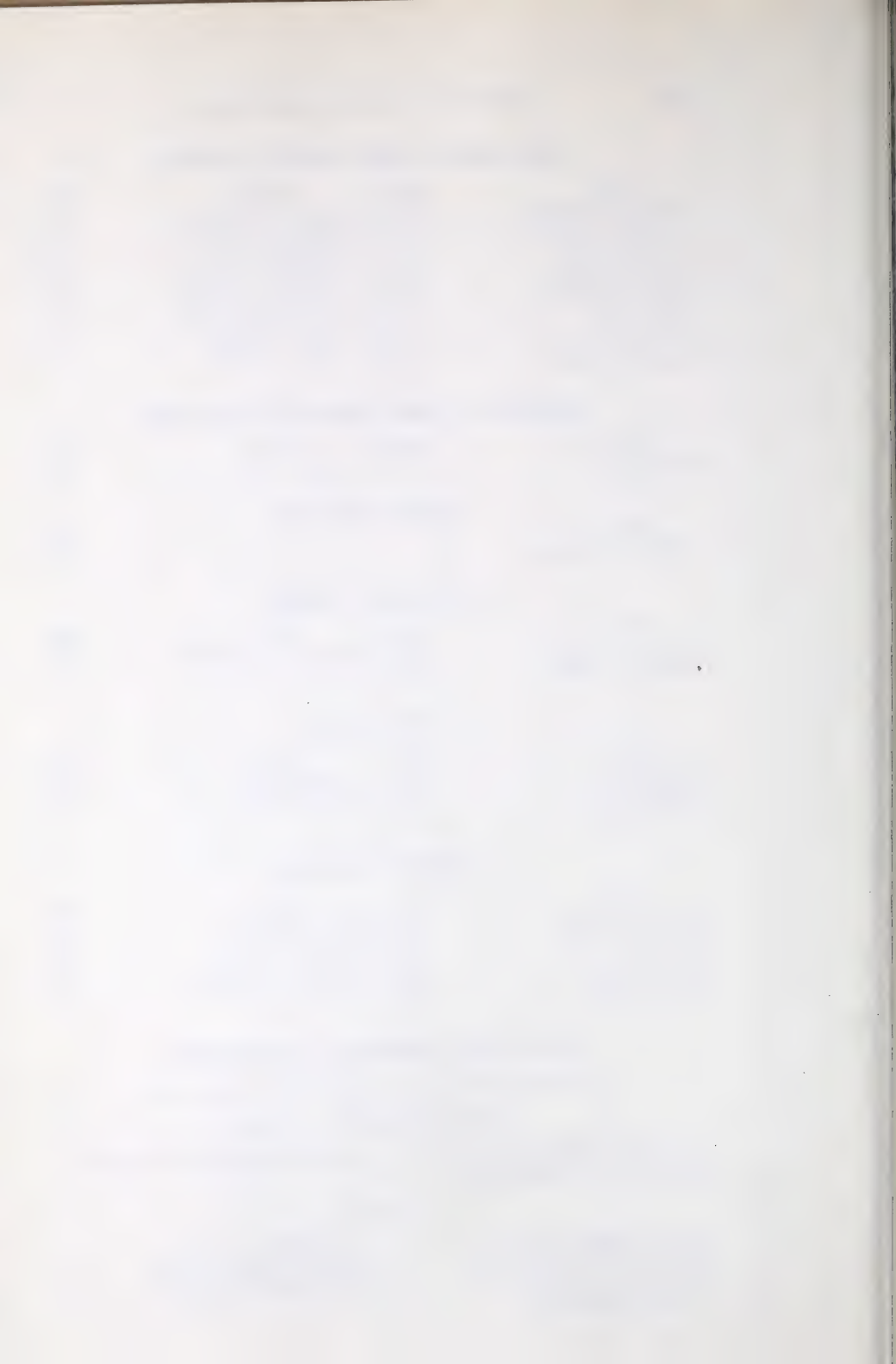
Capt. John Cutting, Watertown.
James Lowden, Charlestown.

Capt. Joseph Bowman, Watertown.

Clerks.

William Willis, 1733-37.
Benjamin Wellington, 1738.
Samuel Burr, 1738-41.
Samuel Jackson, 1742.

Daniel Cook, 1742-49.
Andrew Darby, 1750-53.
Abner Holden, 1754-59.



Standing Committee.

Joseph Bowman, 1733-42.	Daniel Hoar, 1750-53.
John Cutting, 1733.	Jonathan White, 1750.
James Lowden, 1733.	Richard Graves, 1750-53.
Ebenezer Breed, 1733.	Thomas Stearns, 1750-53.
Samuel Trumbull, 1733.	Andrew Darby, 1751-53.
Benjamin Brown, 1733, 1743-48.	John Rand, 1754, 1758, '59.
William Brattle, 1733.	Reuben Miles, 1754.
Benjamin Pemberton, 1733.	John Estabrook, 1754.
Edward Jackson, 1733.	John Miles, 1754.
John Hall, 1733.	Joseph Holden, Jr., 1754-59.
Nathaniel Norcross, 1733.	Daniel Walker, 1755.
Samuel Jackson, 1734-41.	Samuel Whitney, 1755, 1758, '59.
Samuel Kneeland, 1734-42.	Thomas Conant, 1755.
Richard Foster, 1742.	John Wheeler, 1755.
Timothy Poole, 1743-45.	Stephen Holden, 1756-59.
Jonathan Watson, 1743-49.	Nicholas Dike, 1756-58.
Joseph Miller, 1746, 1750-54.	Nathan Merriam, 1756.
Joseph Lynde, 1748, '49.	Elisha Bigelow, 1756-58.
Edmund Trowbridge, 1749.	Nathan Wood, 1757.
Jonathan Brown, 1749.	Ebenezer Taylor, 1758, '59.
John Hunt, 1749.	

Treasurers.

Same as Clerk, 1733-49.	Joseph Miller, 1755-59.
Joseph Holden, 1750-54.	

Assessors.

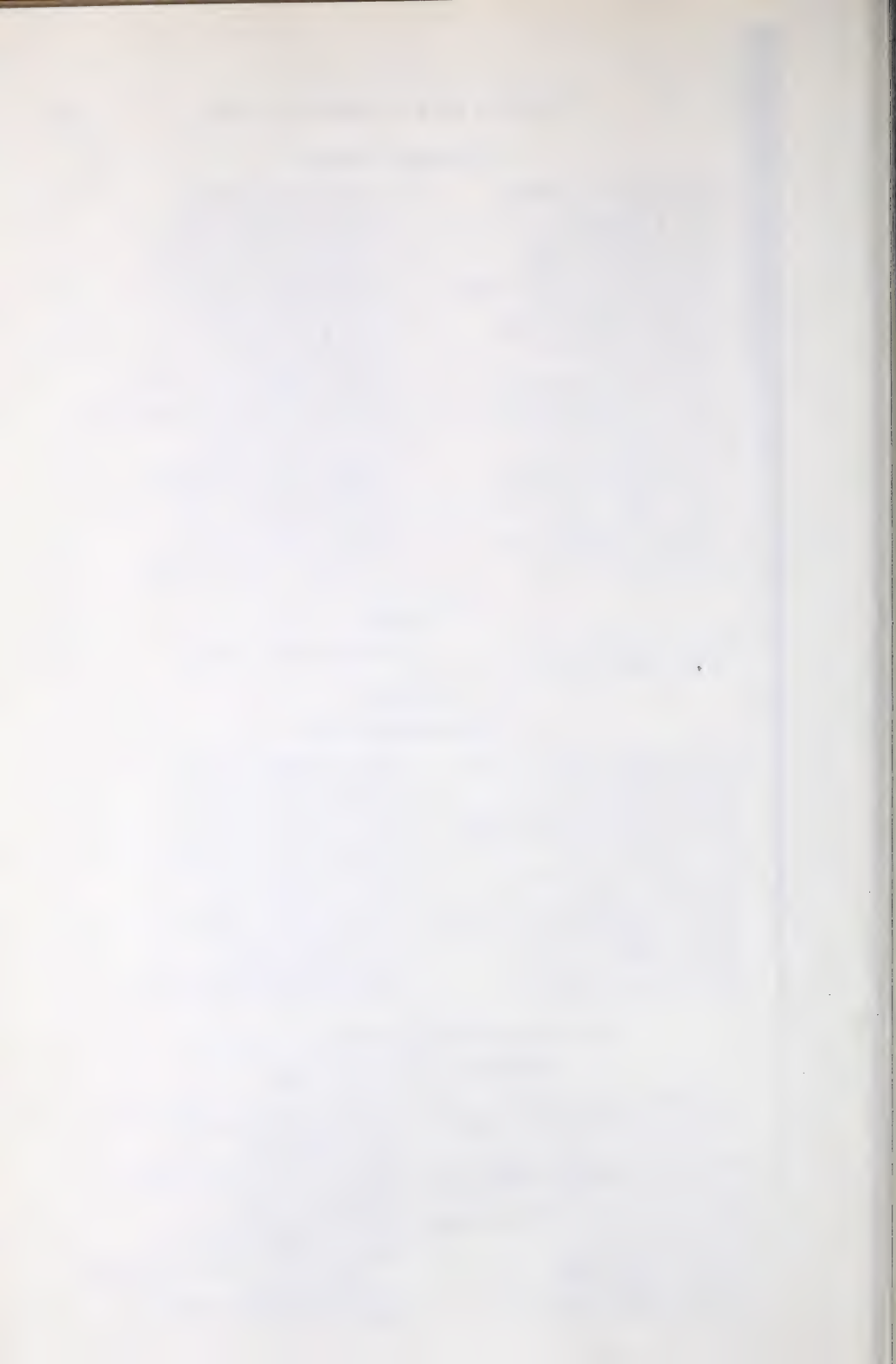
(First elected in 1736.)

Joseph Bowman, 1736, 1742-45.	Isaac Jackson, 1748, '49.
Richard Foster, 1736.	Joseph Miller, 1750-53.
Benjamin Brown, 1736.	Daniel Hoar, 1750-53.
William Richardson, 1737, '38.	Andrew Darby, 1750-52.
Benjamin Wellington, 1737, '38.	Abner Holden, 1753-57.
John Cutting, 1737.	Samuel Whitney, 1754, '55.
Samuel Jackson, 1739, '40.	John Estabrook, 1754.
James Hay, 1739-47.	David Dunster, 1755.
Samuel Trumbull, 1739-41, 1746, '47.	Elisha Bigelow, 1756, '57.
Joseph Lynde, 1740-45.	Benjamin Butterfield, 1756.
Michael Brigden, 1746, '47.	John Rand, 1757-59.
John Hunt, 1748, '49.	Joseph Holden, Jr., 1758, '59.
Oakes Angier, 1748, '49.	John Foskett, 1758, '59.

DISTRICT AND TOWN OFFICERS—1759-1892.

Moderators of Annual Meetings.

Daniel Hoar, 1759-61, '65.	Ebenezer Jones, 1794-96, '98, '99.
Nicholas Dike, 1762-64, '73-75, '80, '83, '89-91.	Zachariah Rand, 1800-03.
Joseph Miller, 1766, '67, '76.	Jonas Miles, 1804.
Dr. Zachariah Harvey, 1768-71, '77.	Dr. Benjamin Marshall, 1805, '06.
Richard Graves, 1772.	Solomon Strong, 1807-12, '14.
John Rand, 1778, '81, '82, '84, '85, '87.	Abel Wood, 1813.
Noah Miles, 1779.	Jonas Whitney, 1815.
Abner Holden, 1786.	Cyrus Winship, 1816-18, '21.
Edmund Bemis, 1788.	Timothy Doty, 1819, '20, '22, '23-29, '31, '32, '34.
Moses Thurston, 1792, '97.	Simeon Sanderson, 1830, '33.
Reuben Sawin, 1793.	Joseph H. Whitney, 1835-42, '47.



Dr. John White, 1843.
 William S. Bradbury, 1844-46, '53,
 '54, '56.
 Edward Kendall, 1848-52, '55.
 Joseph M. Whitman, 1857, '58.
 Joel Merriam, Jr., 1859, '60, '65, '66.

Harrison G. Whitney, 1861-64, '67-
 69.
 Augustine Whitney, 1870-81, '83.
 Joseph Hager, 1882.
 Lyman Allen, 1884-92.

Clerks.

Joseph Miller, 1759-62.
 Andrew Darby, 1763.
 Abner Holden, 1764-78.
 Michael Gill, 1779, '80, '82.
 Samuel Gerrish, 1781.
 Joseph Holden, 1783-96.
 Merari Spalding, 1797.
 Ezra Holden, 1798-1813.

Edward Kendall, 1814-45.
 George Kendall, 1846-54.
 Samuel G. Kendall, 1855, '56.
 Frederic Allen, 1857, '58.
 William S. Bradbury, 1859-61.
 William Mayo, 1862-75.
 Marcus M. Nichols, 1876-81.
 Edward S. Kendall, 1882-92.

Board of Selectmen.

Joseph Miller, 1759-62, '64, '66-71,
 '75-77.
 Daniel Hoar, 1759-61, '63-67.
 Andrew Darby, 1759, '60, '62, '63.
 Richard Graves, 1759-61.
 Samuel Whitney, 1759-61.
 Nicholas Dike, 1761, '64-67, '73, '74.
 Nathan Wood, 1762, '65, '68-70, '74-
 77.
 Abner Holden, 1763, '65-75, '78, '83-
 86.
 Thomas Stearns, 1765, '66, '68-70,
 '75.
 Stephen Holden, 1767.
 John Rand, 1768-70, '78, '85, '86.
 Nathan Whitney, 1771.
 Josiah Jackson, 1771, '72.
 Josiah Cutting, 1771, '72.
 Joseph Holden, 1772-74, '86, '90, '91,
 '93-96.
 Thomas Bigden, 1772, '73.
 Reuben Miles, 1773, '74.
 Elisha Jackson, 1775-77.
 Noah Miles, 1776-78, '82, '87-89.
 John Brooks, 1776, '77, '79.
 John Hoar, 1778, '81.
 Josiah Puffer, 1778, '87-94.
 Nathan Howard, 1779, '80, '85, '86,
 '92-94.
 James Walker, 1779-82.
 Samuel Sawin, 1779, '87-90.
 Edward Jackson, 1779-82.
 Jabez Bigelow, 1780, '81.
 Michael Gill, 1780, '82.
 Samuel Gerrish, 1781.
 William Edgell, 1782-84.
 Nathaniel Sawyer, 1783, '84.
 Timothy Heywood, 1783.
 Peter Graves, 1783.
 Elisha Bigelow, 1784.
 Moses Thurston, 1784.

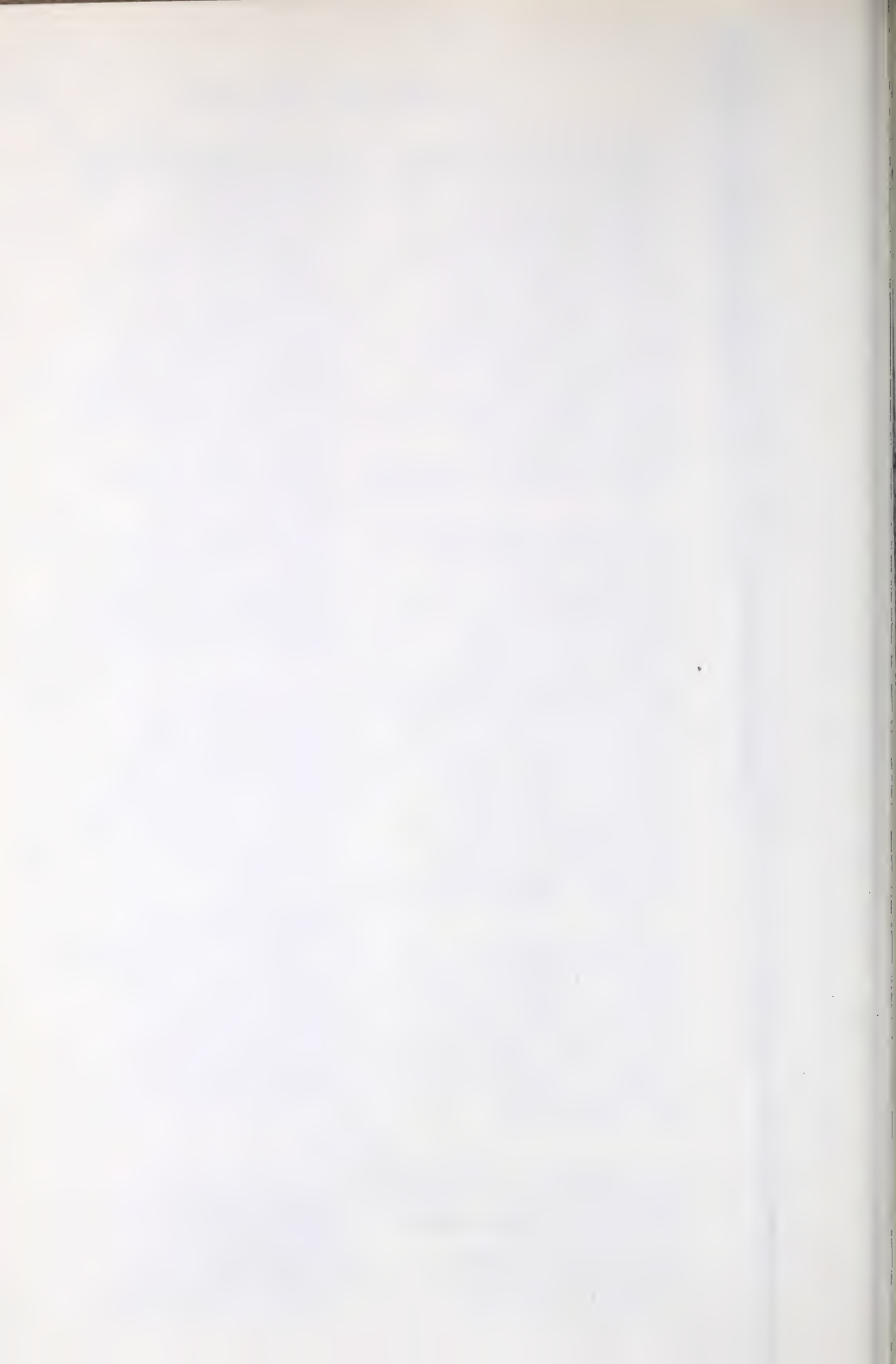
John Miles, 1785.
 Isaac Williams, 1785, '86.
 Jonathan Hager, 1787-90.
 Joseph Flint, 1787.
 Edmund Bemis, 1788, '89, '92.
 Edward Bacon, 1790, '91, '96, '97.
 Ebenezer Jones, 1791, '93-99.
 Abel Wood, 1791-97, 1803-08.
 Reuben Sawin, 1792.
 Zachariah Rand, 1795.
 Jonas Whitney, 1795, '97-1806.
 Benjamin Flint, 1796-99.
 Ahijah Wood, 1798-1802.
 Asa Farnsworth, 1798.
 Thaddeus Bond, 1799-1802, '04.
 Elijah Hager, 1800-08.
 Aaron Bolton, 1800, '03.
 Merari Spalding, 1801-3.
 William Penniman, 1804, '06, '07, '21.
 Stephen Hoar, 1805, '06.
 Jonas Miles, 1805.
 Solomon Strong, 1807-9.
 Cyrus Winship, 1807-11.
 Jacob Sawyer, 1808, '09.
 Asa Miller, 1809-11.
 Rufus Dodd, 1809, '10.
 James White, 1810-12.
 Jonas Merriam, 1810-13.
 David Whitney, 1811, '12.
 Alexander Dustin, 1812, '13.
 Edward Kendall, 1812, '13.
 Isaac Williams, 1813, '14.
 Joel Whitney, 1813, '14.
 Ezra Miller, 1814, '15.
 Zadoc Sawyer, 1814, '15.
 Zachariah Whitman, 1814, '15.
 John Hoar, 1815-17.
 Asa Bigelow, 1815-18.
 Jonas W. Whitney, 1816-20.
 Ezra Wood, 1816-20.
 Joseph Brown, 1816, '17.



- Nathan Raymond, 1818-19.
 Edward Bacon, Jr., 1818-20, '29.
 Timothy Doty, 1819-20, '22-24.
 John Jackson, 1820.
 Jonathan Whitman, 1821-23.
 Sullivan Sawin, 1821-24.
 Horatio G. Buttrick, 1821-23.
 Zebina Spaulding, 1821-24.
 Smyrna Whitney, 1824-27.
 David Forbush, 1824, '35.
 Simeon Sanderson, 1825-27.
 John Heywood, 1825-28, '43.
 Benjamin F. Wood, 1825-28.
 Wonder Wears, 1825.
 Joseph Whitman, 1826-30, '35-41.
 Oliver Adams, 1828, '29.
 Silas Smith, 1828-31.
 James Puffer, 1829-31, '34, '43, '44.
 Joseph H. Whitney, 1830-33, '35-37.
 Joseph Whitney, 1830, '34, '43-45.
 Jesse Spaulding, 1832, '33.
 Oliver Estey, 1832, '33.
 Joel Merriam, 1834.
 Reuben Fenno, 1835, '46, '47, '56.
 Samuel Gates, 1835-38.
 Joseph Howard, 1836-38.
 George Adams, 1836-40.
 Stillman Brooks, 1838, '39, '41, '42.
 Manasseh S. Forbush, 1839, '40.
 Sylvester Miller, 1839-41.
 John Minott, 1840-42, '57, '58.
 Franklin McIntire, 1841, '42.
 Artemas W. Johnson, 1842.
 Orange G. Cowee, 1842.
 Aaron Wood, 1843, '44.
 Daniel Miles, 1843, '53, '54.
 Marshall White, 1844, '45.
 Benjamin Wyman, 1844, '46.
 Joseph W. Forbush, 1845, '46, '61-63.
 Major Page, 1845, '46.
 Samuel G. Kendall, 1846-48, '53.
 Charles G. Giles, 1847, '70-72.
 Harrison G. Whitney, 1848-50.
 George W. Hager, 1848, '49.
 Horace Whitney, 1848, '51.
 William Mayo, 1848-50, '59-61, '64.
 Edward Kendall, 1849-52, '55.
 Josiah Page, 1849.
 Asa Brooks, 2d, 1850.
 Joel Merriam, Jr., 1850-52, '66.
 Orange Wheeler, 1851, '52.
 Amos Miller, 1851.
 Edward Bacon, Jr., 1852, '55, '67, '68, '81-84.
 Isaac Hager, 1852.
 George Smith, 1853-56.
 Joseph Pierce, 1853.
 Artemas Merriam, 1854, '68.
 Almon Derby, 1854.
 David W. Hill, 1855.
 Edward R. Carter, 1855.
 Joseph M. Whitman, 1855, '57, '58.
 William S. Bradbury, 1856.
 Benson Bigelow, 1856, '57.
 Josiah Puffer, 1856.
 David Wyman, 1857.
 Phineas W. Reed, 1858.
 Nahum Barrell, 1858.
 Milton Joslin, 1858.
 Franklin Wyman, 1859, '60, '62-65.
 Charles Upton, 1859, '60.
 Charles A. Forbush, 1861-63.
 T. Dwight Wood, 1864-66.
 Augustine Whitney, 1865, '67.
 James M. Clark, 1866, '67.
 J. Hervey Miller, 1868, '69, '81, '87, '88.
 Lyman Allen, 1869-73, '75-77, '79, '80, '86, '87.
 James B. Wood, 1869.
 Fred. S. Coolidge, 1870-72.
 Amos B. Holden, 1873, '74.
 Frank E. Bolton, 1873-75.
 Henry J. Partridge, 1874-76.
 Edwin L. Burnham, 1876-79, '91, '92.
 Theodore S. Wood, 1877, '78, '80, '81, '86, '87.
 Abner E. Drury, 1878.
 Charles Nichols, 1879, '80.
 S. Dwight Simonds, 1882-85.
 A. Jackson Bolton, 1882-86, '88.
 Walter H. Laws, 1885, '86.
 C. C. Dawley, 1888, '89.
 Daniel C. Miles, 1889.
 Joseph Hager, 1889, '90.
 Hobart Raymond, 1890, '91.
 Judson Foster, 1890-92.
 Henry M. Wetherbee, 1892.

Treasurers.

- Joseph Holden, Jr., 1759, '60, '62-67.
 Daniel Hoar, 1761.
 Joseph Miller, 1768-71, '75-89.
 John Rand, 1772-74.
 Stephen Miles, 1790-1809.
 Nathan Whitney, 1810-31.
 Timothy Doty, 1832-34.
 David Forbush, 1835-38.
 Dr. John White, 1839-44.
 Harrison G. Whitney, 1845-56.
 William Mayo, 1857.
 Phineas W. Reed, 1858.
 David W. Hill, 1859-1889.
 Frank W. Fenno, 1890-.

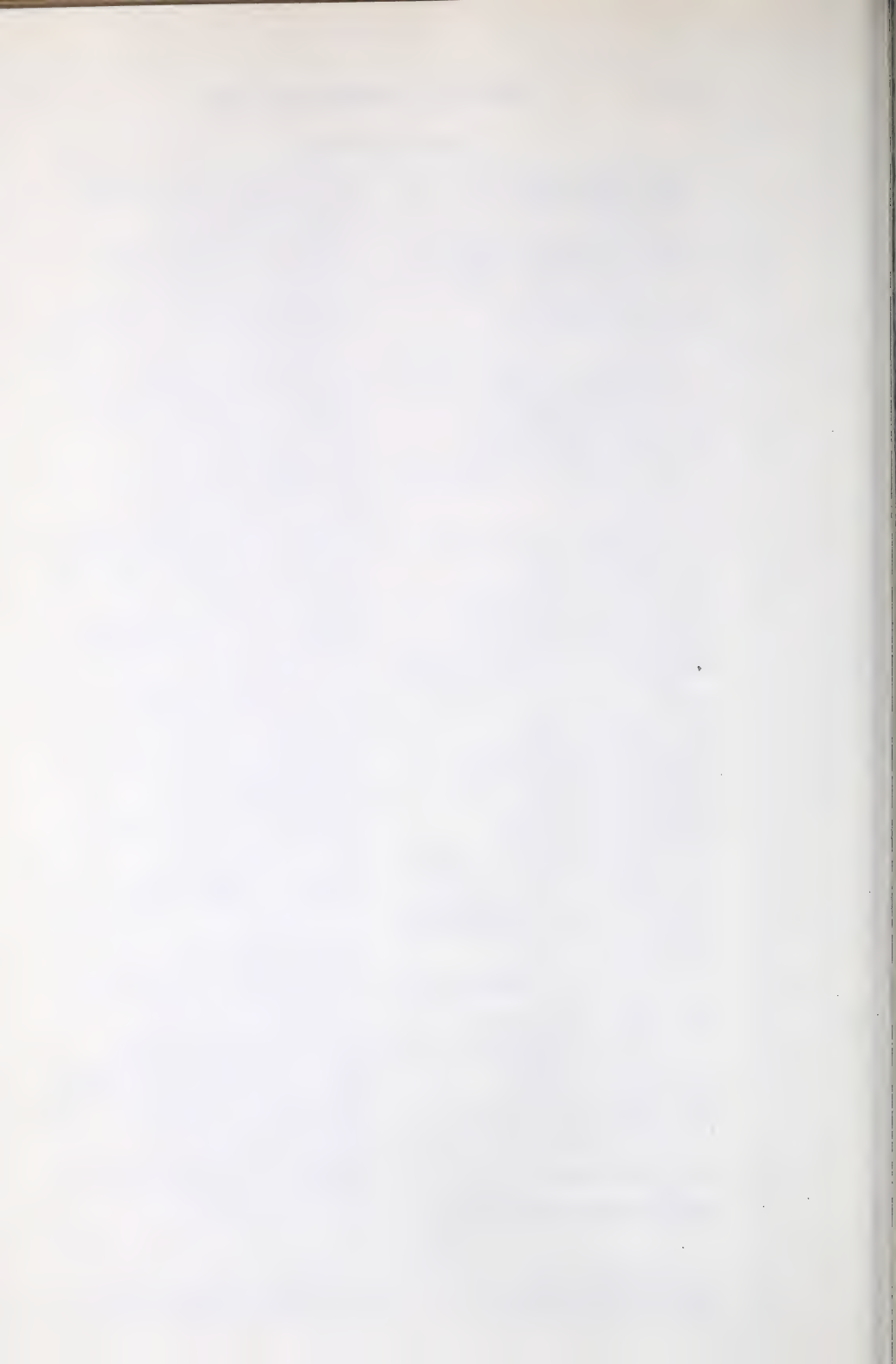


Board of Assessors.

- Daniel Hoar, 1759-61, '63.
 Joseph Miller, 1759, '61, '62, '64, '66-68, '75.
 Andrew Darby, 1759, '62-65, '67, '68.
 Benjamin Butterfield, 1760.
 Abner Holden, 1760, '63-65, '69, '72-77, '80, '83-86.
 Samuel Whitney, 1761.
 Nathan Wood, 1762, '65, '66, '71-75, '77.
 Elisha Bigelow, 1766-70, '76, '77, '79, '80, '82, '84, '92, '93.
 Daniel Walker, 1769, '70.
 Dr. Zachariah Harvey, 1770.
 Thomas Brigden, 1771-73.
 William Edgell, 1771, '76, '79, '84, '87, '88.
 John Miles, 1774.
 Thomas Stearns, 1775.
 Elisha Jackson, 1775.
 John Foskett, 1778.
 Michael Gill, 1778, '81, '83.
 Dr. Jeremiah Everett, 1778.
 Samuel Gerrish, 1779, '80, '86.
 Stephen Miles, 1781, '87, '88.
 Joseph Holden, 1781, '82, '89-92, '94-96.
 Peter Graves, 1782, '83, '87-89.
 Seth Heywood, 1785.
 Benjamin Howard, 1785.
 Ahijah Wood, 1786, '95, 1803.
 David Child, 1789-91, '93.
 Edmund Bemis, 1790.
 Reuben Sawin, 1791-93.
 Zachariah Rand, 1794.
 Jonas Whitney, 1794, '96, '99-1802, '07-24.
 Stephen Hoar, 1795, '97, '98, 1803.
 William Penniman, 1796-99, 1802, '04.
 Jonas Miles, 1797, '98.
 Hayman Wheeler, 1799-1801, '03-07, '15, '17-20.
 Abel Wood, 1800-02, '09-11.
 Merari Spalding, 1804-08, '21, '23-25, '28, '30-33, '35.
 Asa Miller, 1805, '06.
 Edward Bacon, 1808-11.
 Ezra Wood, 1812, '13, '26, '27, '29.
 John Jackson, 1812-16, '22, '25-27, '29, '35-38.
 Asa Bigelow, 1814, '25-29, '34, '43, '44.
 Cyrus Winship, 1816-24, '28, '30, '32.
 John Heywood, 1830, '32, '43.
 Timothy Doty, 1831.
 Joseph Whitman, 1831.
 Flint McIntire, 1833-39, '44.
 Wonder Wears, 1833.
 Benjamin F. Wood, 1834.
 Joel Baker, Jr., 1836.
 Theodore Whitney, 1837, '38, '57-64, '68-73.
 Dr. John White, 1839.
 Edward Bacon, 1839-48.
 Joseph H. Whitney, 1840-42.
 Luther Barrell, 1840.
 Oliver Estey, 1841, '42.
 James Puffer, 1845.
 John Minott, 1845, '46.
 Joseph Whitney, 1846, '47.
 Edward Kendall, 1847.
 Benjamin Wyman, 1848-50, '68.
 Orange Wheeler, 1848-50, '52, '53.
 Aaron Wood, 1849-54, '56.
 David Laws, 1851.
 Harrison G. Whitney, 1851.
 Reuben Fenno, 1852-56, '60, '61.
 Isaac Hager, 1854.
 Aretas Raymond, 1855, '59.
 Daniel C. Miles, 1855, '59.
 Joel Merriam, Jr., 1856, '62.
 Levi Jackson, 1857.
 Anson Spalding, 1857, '58.
 Joseph Hager, 1858.
 T. Dwight Wood, 1860.
 George Adams, 1861.
 Samuel H. Sprague, 1862-64.
 Calvin Whitney, 1863.
 Charles A. Forbush, 1864.
 William S. Bradbury, 1865.
 Lyman Allen, 1865-67, '74, '75, '77-81, '90.
 James M. Clark, 1865.
 Charles G. Giles, 1866, '68-71.
 J. Hervey Miller, 1866, '67, '72-91.
 Frederic Whitney, 1867.
 Leander H. Dupee, 1869-73.
 Charles T. Damon, 1874-76.
 Henry M. Wetherbee, 1876-78.
 Hobart Raymond, 1879-86, '88, '89.
 Albert Howard, 1882-86.
 Stephen F. Lamb, 1887, '88.
 Judson Foster, 1887, '89.
 Wickliffe H. Waterhouse, 1890-92.
 William H. Carter, 1891, '92.
 John P. Roper, 1892.

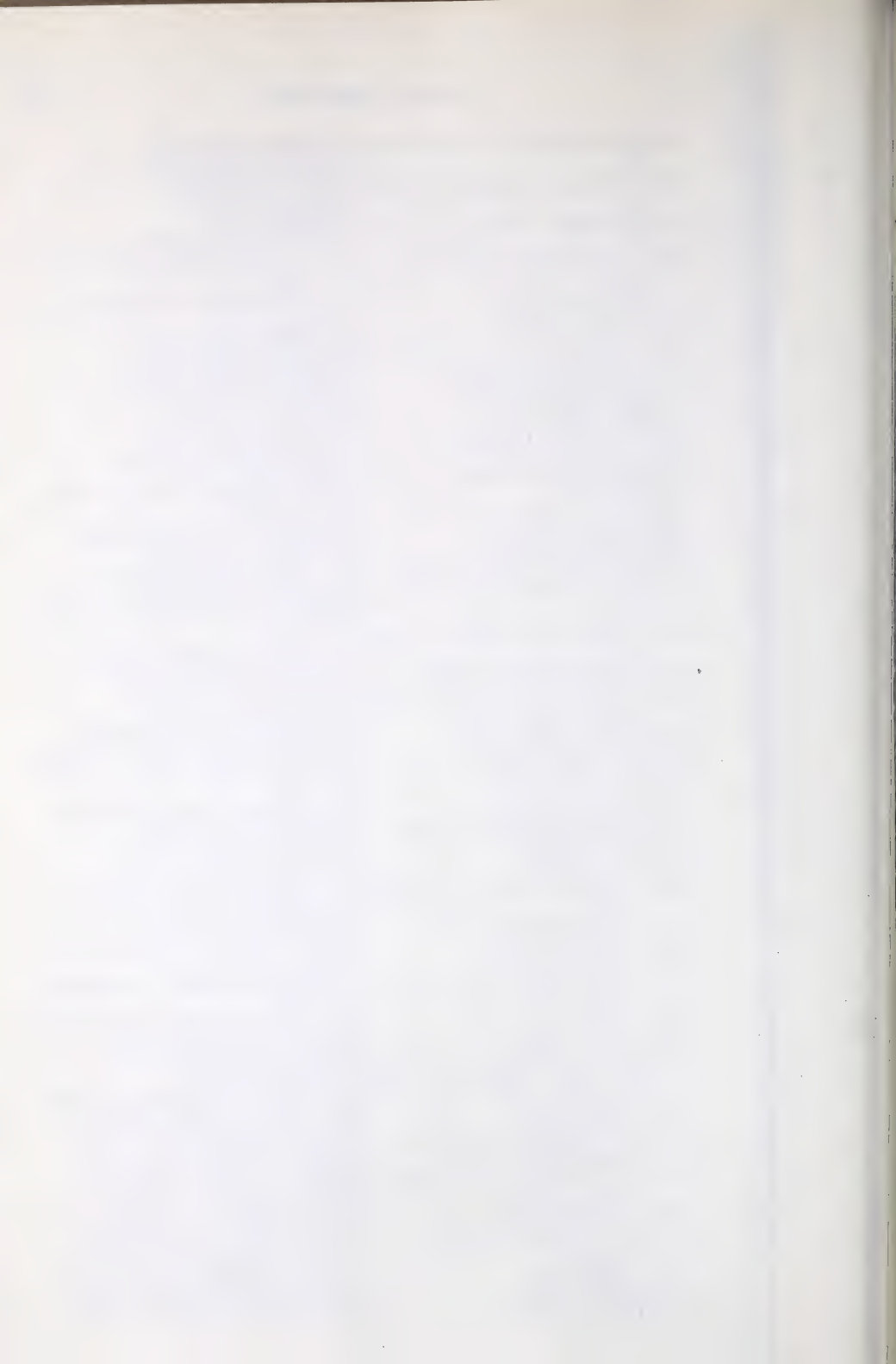
School Committee.

- Merari Spalding, 1806, '11, '16, '22.
 Solomon Strong, 1806-15.
- Dr. Benjamin Marshall, 1806, '07.
 Rufus Dodds, 1806-09.



Ezra Wood, 1806-13, '15, '18, '21, '22, '26.
 Edward Bacon, 1806-09, '11-13, '16, '21.
 Hayman Wheeler, 1806, '11, '13, '14, '16.
 Jacob Sawyer, 1807-'09, '13-15, '22, '24, '25.
 Dr. Jacob Holmes, 1807.
 Ezra Holden, 1808, '09.
 Aaron Greenwood, 1808.
 John C. Miller, 1809, '10, '12, '16.
 Ethan A. Greenwood, 1810.
 Dr. Isaac Warren, 1810-12.
 John Hoar, 1810, '12-15.
 Smyrna Whitney, 1810, '19, '21.
 Zadock Sawyer, 1811.
 Alexander Dustin, 1811-22.
 Asa Miller, 1812.
 Samuel Cooper, 1813, '16, '18, '21.
 Jonas Whitney, 1814.
 Moses Whitney, 1814, '15.
 Dr. Silas Pearson, 1814, '17, '20, '21.
 Benjamin F. Wood, 1815, '18-22, '24, '25.
 Jonas Merriam, Jr., 1816, '18, '19, '24.
 Jonathan Minott, 1816, '18, '20.
 Simeon Sanderson, 1817, '21, '23, '24, '27, '28, '30-33, '38, '39.
 Farwell Cowee, 1818, '20-22.
 Cyrus Winship, 1818, '21.
 Ebenezer Jones, 1819-21.
 Abel Wood, Jr., 1819.
 Daniel Howe, 1819, '25, '26.
 John Minott, 1819, '20, '22, '24-26.
 Levi Miller, 1820, '23.
 Orange Green, 1820.
 Joseph Raymond, 1820, '21, '23, '24, '26, '29.
 Joel Wyman, 1820, '21.
 Edmund Barnard, 1820.
 Asaph Merriam, 1820, '21.
 Jonathan Whitman, 1820, '22, '25.
 Jonas Miller, 1820, '21, '26.
 Joseph Howard, 1820.
 John Jackson, 1820.
 Samuel Brooks, 1820, '26.
 Dr. John White, 1821, '26-31, '33, '36, '38-45, '50, '51.
 Daniel Adams, 1821.
 Horatio G. Buttrick, 1821, '22.
 Abram Wood, 1823, '26, '34.
 Dr. Flavel Cutting, 1823, '28, '29, '34-39, '45-47, '49-52.
 Zebina Spalding, 1824.
 Wonder Wears, 1824, '31-33.
 John Dunn, 1824.
 Oliver Adams, 1825.
 Asa Bigelow, 1825.
 John Heywood, 1825.

Asa Farnsworth, 1825.
 Jonas W. Whitney, 1825.
 David Forbush, 1826.
 James White, 1826.
 Joel Wood, 1826.
 Edward Kendall, 1826.
 Rev. Charles Hudson, 1827-45, '47, '49.
 Rev. Cyrus Mann, 1827-29, '34, '37-39.
 Dr. Elijah Darling, 1827.
 George F. Miller, 1830.
 William S. Bradbury, 1830.
 Samuel G. Kendall, 1831.
 Oliver Estey, 1832.
 Calvin Hayward, 1832.
 Dr. Josiah Howe, 1833, '35.
 Isaac Whitney, 1834.
 Anson Spalding, 1835, '36, '40, '41, '57-59.
 Harrison G. Whitney, 1835-37.
 Rev. Caleb Brown, 1837.
 Dr. Avery Williams, 1840, '41.
 Franklin McIntire, 1840, '41.
 Rev. Stephen S. Smith, 1842-44, '46-49.
 Rev. Geo. D. Felton, 1842.
 A. Holden Merriam, 1842-46.
 Giles H. Whitney, 1843-45.
 Rev. Paul Dean, 1844.
 Rev. Varnum Lincoln, 1846-48.
 Rev. Jonathan E. Forbush, 1846.
 Darius M. Allen, 1847, '48, '50-52, '55.
 Rev. George Carpenter, 1848, '49.
 J. Russell Gaut, 1848-52.
 Orange Wheeler, 1850, '53.
 Rev. O. H. White, 1851-53.
 Rev. Quincy Whitney, 1852, '53.
 Dr. Henry M. Lincoln, 1853.
 Daniel C. Miles, 1853, '59.
 Rev. De Witt C. O'Daniels, 1855.
 James F. Clark, 1855.
 Dr. Clinton Warner, 1855-57, '59-68.
 Dr. Avery G. Williams, 1855, '56, '58.
 Rev. Charles Kendall, 1856.
 Isaac Cummings, 1857.
 Joseph Hager, 1858.
 T. Dwight Wood, 1860-63, '67, '68.
 Rev. Brown Emerson, 1860-62.
 Rev. M. H. Hitchcock, 1863-66.
 Rev. J. H. Lerner, 1864.
 Charles T. Damon, 1865, '66.
 Dr. W. H. H. Shepard, 1867, '68.
 Rev. A. Judson Rich, 1868-71.
 Rev. George Proctor, 1869, '70.
 Rev. Robert G. Johnson, 1869-71.
 Alonzo K. Learned, 1871, '72.
 Mrs. Alzina M. O'Daniels, 1872.
 Rev. S. L. Beal, 1872.



Rev. W. A. Worthington, 1873-75.	Charles A. Simonds, 1881-86.
Theodore S. Wood, 1873-76, '80-82.	Rev. Joseph Barber, 1883.
Fred H. Minott, 1873-75.	Rev. C. M. Palmer, 1884-90.
Charles T. Damon, 1876.	Rev. Lyman Partridge, 1886-90.
J. Harvey Merriam, 1876, '79-83, '85.	Daniel E. Hurd, 1887-89, '92.
Daniel C. Miles, 1877-79.	Thomas S. Eaton, 1890-92.
Mrs. Frost, 1877, '78.	Edward C. Damoh, 1891.
Wolfred F. Curtis, 1877, '78.	John C. F. Urban, 1891.
Herbert N. Howe, 1879, '80.	Fred. W. Mosman, 1892.

Delegates to Provincial Congress.

First Congress, convened Oct. 7, 1774. Nathan Wood, Abner Holden.

Second Congress, convened Feb. 1, 1775. Nathan Wood.

Third Congress, convened May 31, 1775. Nathan Wood.

Delegates to Constitutional Conventions.

To form State Constitution, convened Sept. 1, 1779. Abner Holden.

To ratify U. S. Constitution, convened Jan. 9, 1788. Stephen Holden.

To amend State Constitution, convened Nov. 15, 1820. Jonas Whitney, Edward Kendall.

To amend State Constitution, convened May 4, 1853. Charles G. Giles.

Representatives in the General Court.

Nathan Wood, 1775.	Joseph Whitman, 1836, '37, '39.
Nicholas Dike, 1776.	Joseph H. Whitney, 1836-39.
Joseph Miller, 1777-79.	Edward Bacon, 1843.
Abner Holden, 1780, '81, '85, '86.	William S. Bradbury, 1845.
Elisha Jackson, 1783, '84.	Dr. John White, 1851.
Josiah Puffer, 1787, '90, '91.	John Minott, 1852.
Stephen Holden, 1788.	George Kendall, 1854.
Ebenezer Jones, 1795, '96, '98, '99.	Edward Kendall, 1855.
Jonas Whitney, 1801-13, '23.	Harrison G. Whitney, 1856, '57.
Abel Wood, 1811-13.	William Mayo, 1859.
James White, 1814-17, '19.	Joseph W. Forbush, 1861.
Alexander Dustin, 1814-16.	Franklin Wyman, 1863, '67.
Edward Kendall, 1819, '20, '34, '41, '42.	Augustine Whitney, 1865.
Timothy Doty, 1823, '26, '28.	T. Dwight Wood, 1870.
Simeon Sanderson, 1827.	Amos B. Holden, 1875.
Charles Hudson, 1828-33.	Fred. S. Coolidge, 1875.
Cyrus Winship, 1829-33.	Artemas Merriam, 1878.
Merari Spalding, 1834, '35.	Edwin L. Burnham, 1884.
Dr. Josiah Howe, 1835.	S. Dwight Simonds, 1888.
	Hobart Raymond, 1893.

Senators in the General Court.

Solomon Strong, 1812, '13.

Charles Hudson, 1833-38.

Joseph Whitman, 1854.

Joel Merriam, Jr., 1865, '66.

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Charles Hudson, 1841-48.

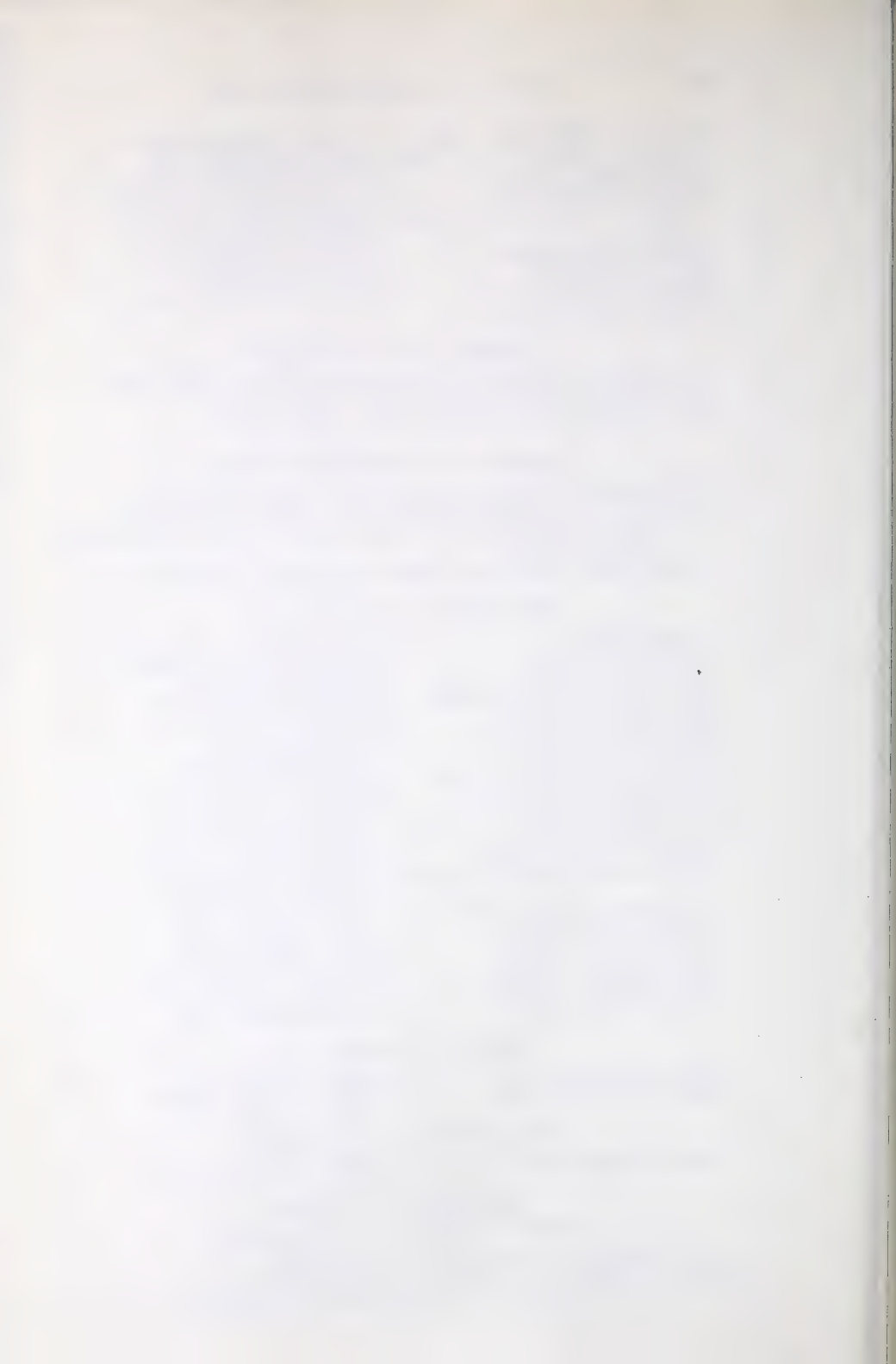
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[Natives of Westminster, but residing elsewhere.]

Abijah Bigelow, Worcester South District, 1809-14.

Charles B. Hoar(d), Twenty-third N. Y. District, 1857-60.

Frederic S. Coolidge, Eleventh Massachusetts District, 1891, '92.



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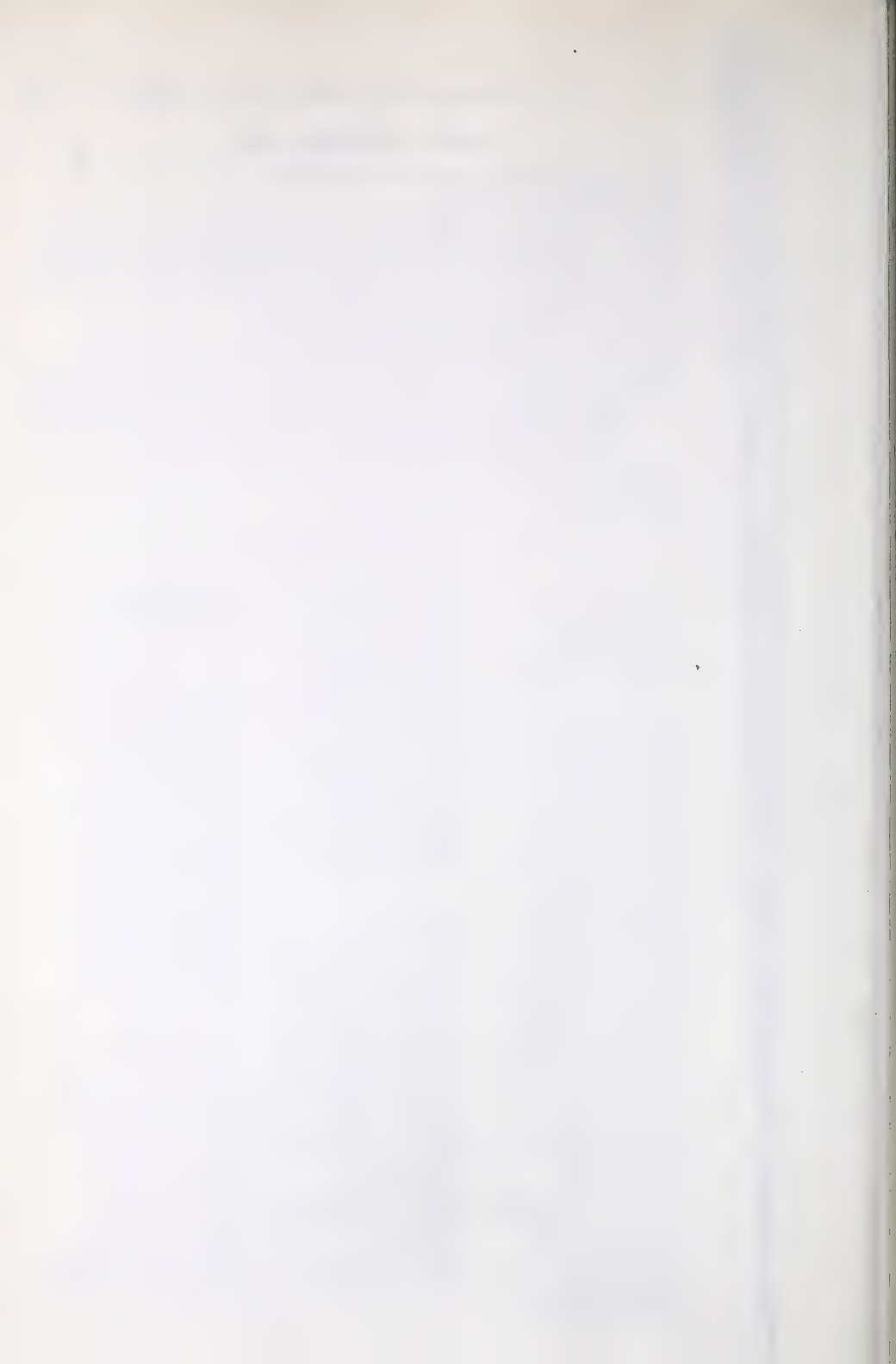
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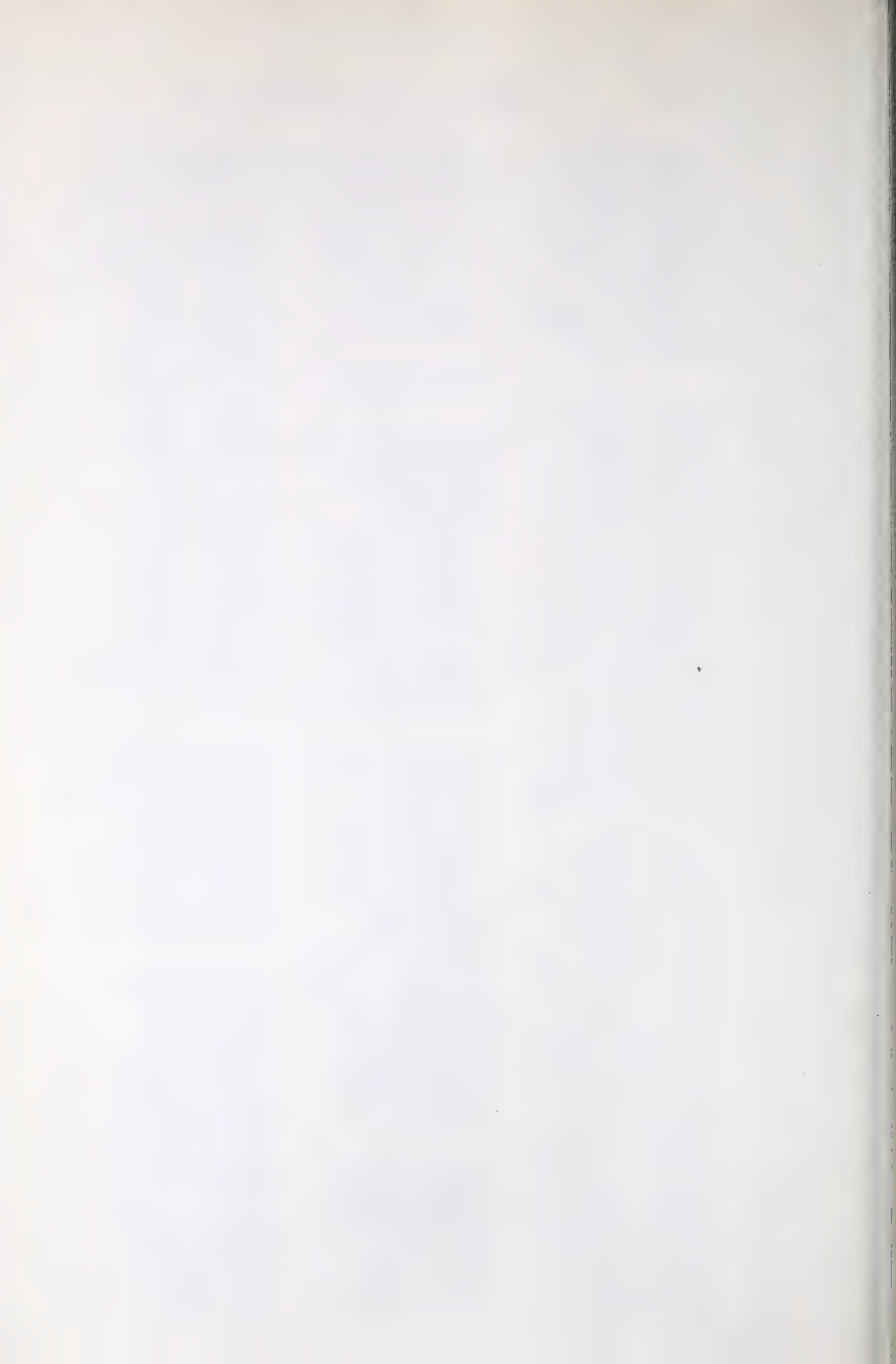
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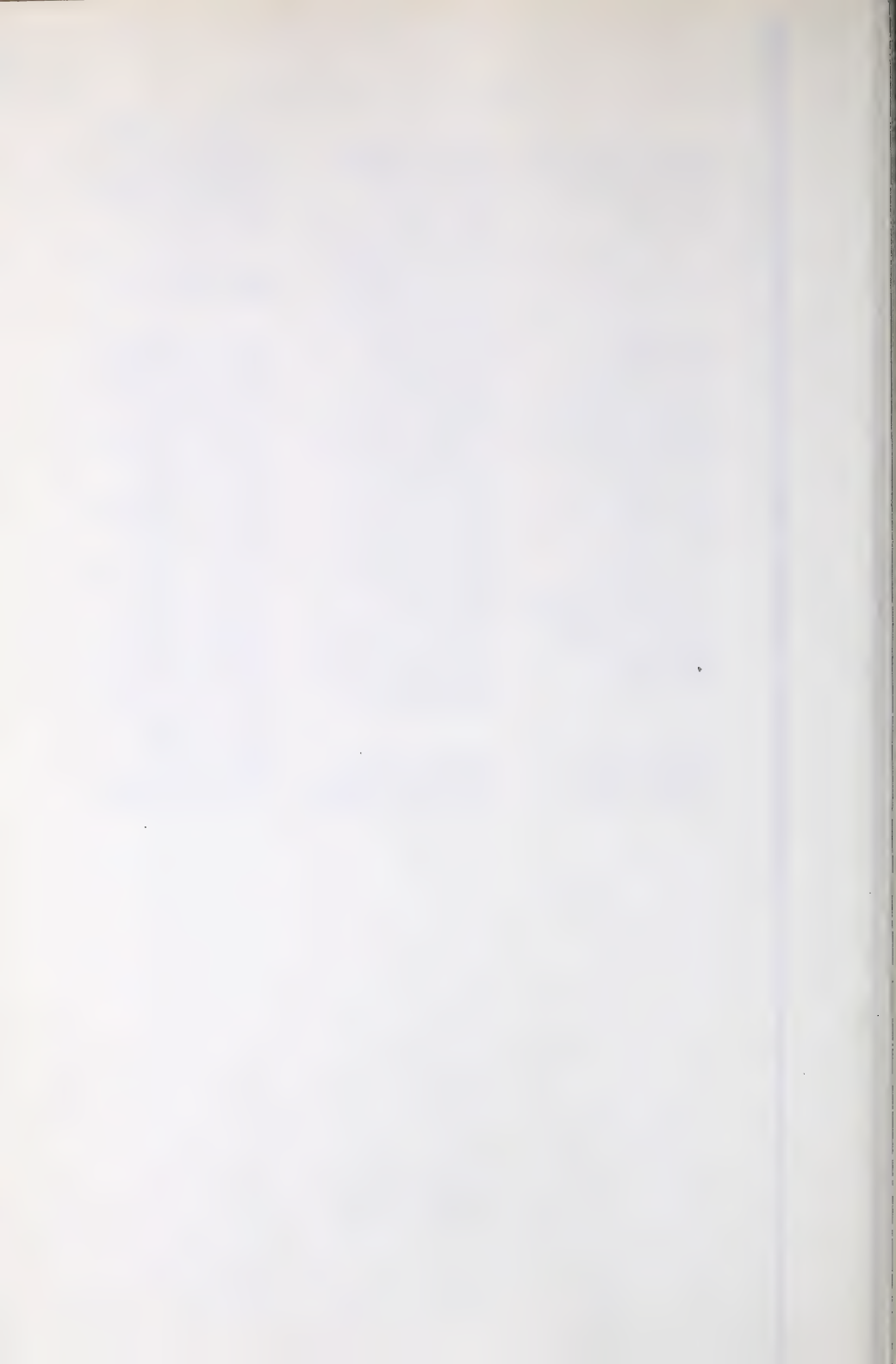
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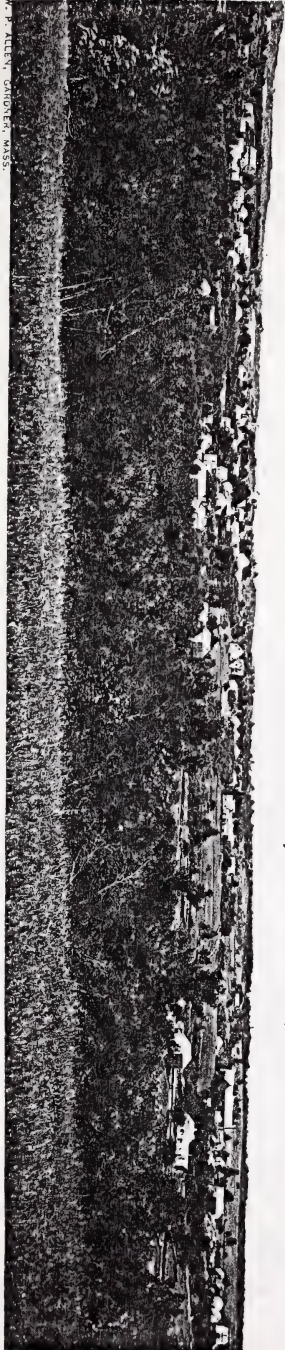
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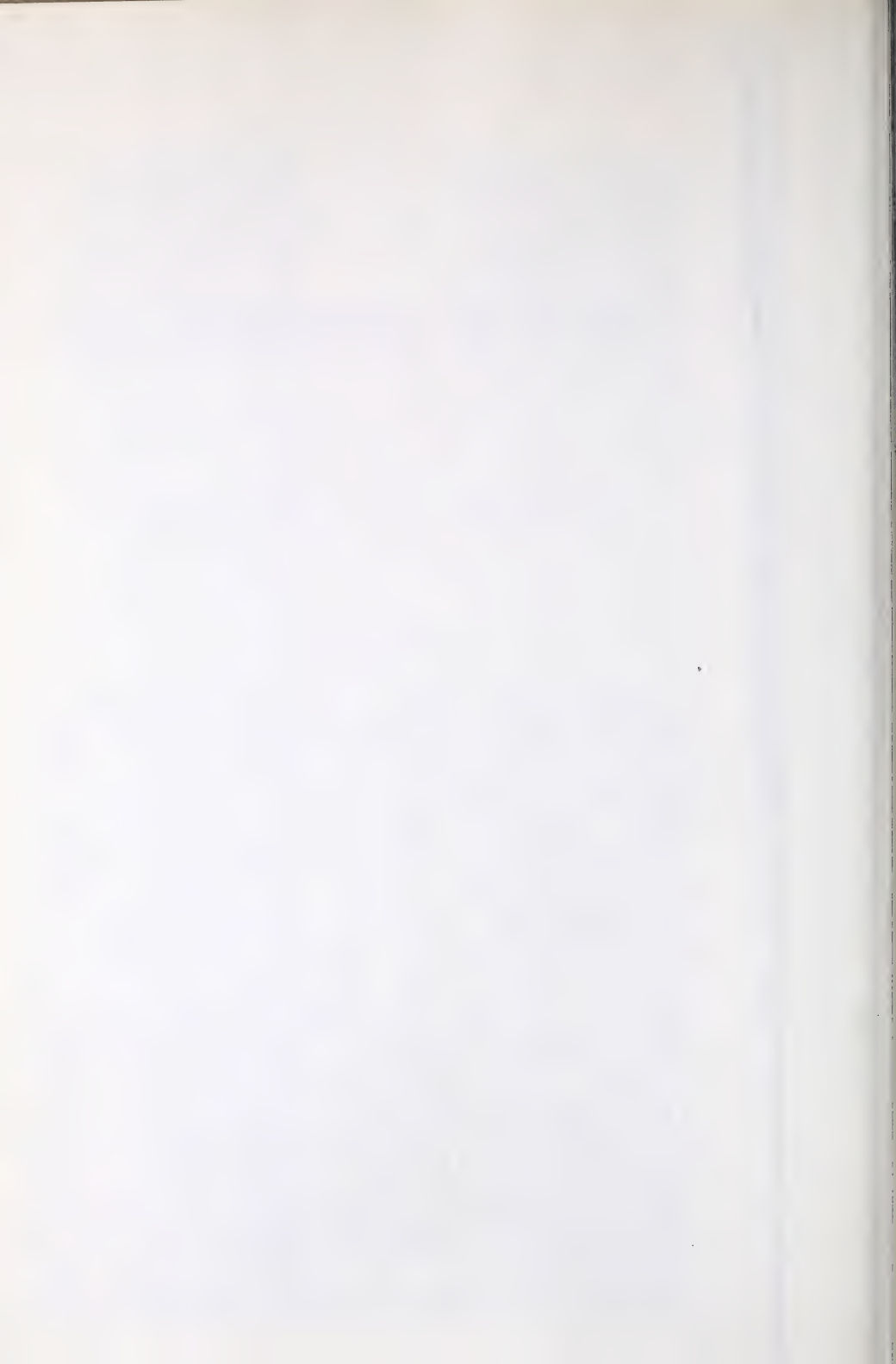
HISTORY OF WESTMINSTER, MASS.

PART TWO.

BIOGRAPHIC-GENEALOGICAL RECORD.

INTRODUCTION.

IN preparing the following compendium of the families of Westminister, the design has been to give proportionate space to those who came early into town, or who, arriving at a later date, attained a reputable standing in the community and contributed in some substantial way to the general prosperity and welfare. Much time and effort have been expended to obtain reliable and complete information in regard to all such, both from their living representatives and from public records, but not always with satisfactory results. A good degree of interest has generally been manifested in the objects sought to be accomplished on the part of those to whom application for information has been made. With few exceptions, they have responded favorably and with a cheerfulness, promptitude, and efficiency which entitle them to the appreciative regard and sincere gratitude of the compiler. Yet it is too much to claim, or to expect even, notwithstanding all the care taken to have it otherwise, that no omissions or errors will be found. When it is remembered that both public and private records are more or less defective and incongruous; that the memory, so often relied upon for data of this sort, is sometimes treacherous and untrustworthy; and that family traditions, deemed in many cases sacred as transcripts of holy writ, are not infrequently purely fictitious and misleading, the wonder may be, not that so many, but that so few, mistakes occur in a work of such magnitude as that now in hand. Still, with no disposition to shirk any legitimate responsibility incident to his voluntarily assumed



task, the writer is quite willing to confess his personal limitations and lack of infallibility, and cast himself upon the considerate judgment and kindly forbearance of those, if any there be, whom he may have unintentionally offended in this matter.

Persons and families of brief residence here, held by no certain tenure and liable to leave at short notice, as business interests, personal preference, or love of change might dictate, are purposely omitted, as are the more recent comers, who, by that fact, have done little or nothing to make the history of the town. It is to be regretted that the details concerning residents of foreign birth are so meager, but the sources of information in such cases are few and difficult of access, rendering a more complete presentation impossible.

Little endeavor has been made to follow individuals or families who have left town for a permanent home elsewhere any further than to note the change and the more important facts of their subsequent history, or some signal event or achievement on the part of some of their descendants. As a rule, such have not been traced beyond the generation they respectively represent. To have pursued a more generous course would have increased this volume to an unreasonable and cumbersome size, even if that does not occur under the restrictive policy pursued.

The plan of registration adopted in the following pages is simple and easily understood. The different families are arranged in alphabetical order. When the lineage of one of them has been traced to the immigrant ancestor, its surname stands prominently in the middle of the page, and its history previous to its appearance here follows immediately in fine print. Only in such cases are the successive generations noted in the usual form. When a family has not been so traced, but yet requires some historic mention or comment, its surname is placed less prominently, at the opening of a paragraph and in line with what comes afterward. The names of heads of households resident in town appear distinctly in inverted order, accompanied by such personal sketches, incidents, facts, etc., as are deemed worthy of preservation, presented in the larger type of the body of this work, while the names of children and items connected with them succeed directly in type of smaller size.

All persons having the same surname are regularly numbered from first to last—the same number always representing the same person. A heavy-faced number indicates that the name against which it stands will appear again at the head of a household in the next generation. Each branch of a distinctive family is carried through to its latest issue without interfering with other branches,—the oldest, as a rule, coming first.

Ellipses and Abbreviations. Many words not absolutely necessary in a sentence are omitted entirely. When no



state is mentioned in connection with a given town, Massachusetts is generally understood. The common shortenings of the school books are freely used, as are also those of Christian names, titles, etc., and need no recapitulation. Besides these there are a few specially employed contractions as follows: W., Westminster; Fg., Fitchburg; Gr., Gardner; Ash., Ashburnham; Pn., Princeton; Leom., Leominster; Lanc., Lancaster; Worc., Worcester, etc. Others freely employed are: a., age, aged,—also acre or acres; ab., about; adm., admitted; admr., administrator—trix; anc., ancestor—try; b., born, birth; bap., baptise—ed; bd., bound—ed; bef., before; bn., barn; bro., brother; chh., church; chd., child; chn. children; d., died, dead; dau., daughter; dec'd, deceased; disc., discharged; dism., dismissed; dist., district; est., estate; f., father; fam., family; fd., found; gd., grand; grad., graduate—ed; gt., great; ho., house; hr., hour; husb., husband; k., killed; kn., known; l., lives, lived, living; m., married; oc., occupied; pt., parent, ptge., parentage; prob., probable—bly; pub., published; rd., road; rec., record; recd., received; reg., register—try; rem., removed; rep., report—ed; res., resides, resided; ret., returned; s., son; sr., sister; set., settle, settler, settled; sev., several; sold., soldier; s. p., without issue; sup., supposed; tn., town; un., union, united; unm., unmarried; w., wife; wid., widow—ed; yg., young.



WESTMINSTER FAMILIES.

ADAMS.

At the head of the list of the families of Westminster stands the name of one of the oldest known in English annals. More than six hundred years ago, during the troublous reign of Henry III (1216-72), one Ap Adam came out from the mountain wilds of his native country, Wales, and took his place in the great arena of authentic human history. From him sprung a long line of descendants whose representatives, as succeeding generations have come and gone, scattered far and wide over the face of the earth. His son John, for some meritorious service, was crowned with the honors of knighthood as a token of royal favor, whence he rose to the dignity of a "baron of the realm," whereby he was entitled to a seat in the upper house of Parliament, which he occupied from 1296 to 1307. He married Lady Elizabeth Gournai, whose ancestry ran back through William the Conqueror to Charlemagne, and through Matilda, wife of William, to Hugh Capet, both sovereigns of France.* From this pair the order of succession continues unbroken to the first of the name on these shores, as seen below, and through him by various branches to his descendants of the present day. After a few generations, the Welsh characteristic, Ap, was dropped from the name, and the final aspirate added, giving it that simple Anglican form, which, with slight variations, it still retains.

In the sixteenth generation of the English house of Adams (the twenty-third from William the Conqueror, and the thirty-third from Charlemagne) appeared Henry¹, the common ancestor of the most widely known of its branches in America. He was the son of William of Devonshire, the occupant of an ancient ancestral estate, but the date of his b. is unknown. He came to New England in 1632 with a large family of children and settled near Mt. Wollaston in Braintree, now Quincy, where some of his descendants, among whom were the Presidents, John and John Quincy Adams, have since continued to reside. He d. in 1646. His monument, erected by his gt. gd. son, the elder President, in the old Quincy burying ground bears the following inscription: "In memory of Henry Adams, who took his flight from the dragon, persecution, in Devonshire, and alighted, with eight sons, near Mount Wollaston," etc.

Among these eight sons of the immigrant was one named Jonathan², who, upon coming to years of maturity, m. Elizabeth, dau. of John and Elizabeth Fussell, and settled in Medfield, afterwards Medway and now Millis, on an estate still in possession of the family. Descended from him through Jonathan³, Jonathan⁴, and Oliver⁵, was Oliver⁶, who, with his w. and chn., mov. in 1798 to Harvard, where he d. seven years later, a. 45. His widow d. in the same town, 1852.

* The pedigree is as follows: Charlemagne, Louis I, Charles I, Louis II, Charles III, Gisela (who m. Rollo, 1st Duke of Normandy), William, Richard, Richard, Robert, William the Conqueror (who m. Matilda, dau. of Adela, dau. of Robert, s. of Hugh Capet), Princess Gundred (who m. William de Warren), Lady Editha (who m. Gerard de Gournai), Hugh, Hugh, Anselm (baron de Gournai), Robert, Anselm, John, Lady Elizabeth (wife of Sir John Ap Adam). The line continues thus: Sir John (a second baron), William, Sir John, Thomas, Sir John, Sir John Adams (with whom the name changes), Roger, Thomas, John, John, John, Richard, William, Henry the immigrant.



1. ADAMS, OLIVER⁷, s. of Oliver⁶ and Ame (Ellis) Adams, b. Medway, Aug. 16, 1790; m. Zilpah, dau. of Joseph and Ruth (Walcott) Sawyer, Bolton, March 2, 1818. He came to W. from Leom., where he res. awhile, ab. 1824, and prob. lived in the old house on the Common, standing near the present residence of Alonzo D. Bolton, of which he became the owner in 1819. Subsequently he conducted the central hotel several years. He was a man of ability and character, enjoying the regard and confidence of his fellow-citizens, who honored him with various positions of public trust. Two years he served on the Board of Selectmen, and one as a member of the School Committee. He rose to the dignity of Col. in military affairs, and to that of Deputy Sheriff within the jurisdiction of the County of Worcester. About the year 1830 he left W. to engage in business in Boston, where he d. June 2, 1839, a. 48. His wid. ret. to W. with her chn. and remained here till her d., Sept. 2, 1852, at the a. of 57. The chn. of Col. Oliver and Zilpah (Sawyer) Adams were:

2. OLIVER ELLIS⁸, b. Leom., Feb. 11, 1820; d. July 16, 1822.
3. OLIVER⁸, b. Leom., Feb. 11, 1822; d. Feb. 10, 1823.
4. FRANCES AME⁸, b. W., May 24, 1824; d. Sept. 22, 1838.
5. LAURA ANN⁸, b. W., March 10, 1826; m. John E. Chaffin; res. Battle Creek, Mich.; 3 chn.; living.
6. JOSEPH S.⁸, b. W., March 15, 1828; d. Jan. 18, 1831.
7. JOHN Q.⁸, b. Medford, Oct. 9, 1830; d. April 25, 1837.
8. MARY P.⁸, b. Cohasset, Jan. 18, 1833; m. Chas. C. Peavey; res. Battle Creek, Mich.; 5 chn.; living.
9. JOSEPH O.⁸, b. Cohasset, April 11, 1836; m. Ann M. Cutting; res. Worc.; no chn.; living.
10. JOHN F.⁸, b. Boston, Sept. 29, 1838; m. Ellen J. Wilson; res. Worc.; 5 chn.; l.

11. ADAMS, REUBEN⁶, a distant kinsman of the last, being a descendant of Henry¹ through Edmond², John³, Obadiah⁴, and Nathan⁵, was s. of the latter and Keziah (Thompson) of Medfield, b. 1760; he m. Azubah Jones and set. in Hub., where he had 7 chn. In his later years he came to W. and prob. l. with one of his s., who res. on lot 53, the present Albert Howard place, until his d., June 17, 1848, at the a. of 87. His wid. d. May 15, 1875.

12. ADAMS, ENOCH⁷, just referred to, was b. Hub. at a date unknown, and became a citizen of W. in 1844, rem. hither from Lowell and located as indicated. His w. was Mary Bennett, who bore him 10 chn.—Enoch (d. in infancy), Mary T., Veranus M., Lucinda J., Catharine T., Nancy B. (who soon d.), Nancy B., Charles S., Alonzo C., and Melora R. None of them b. here. He left in 1849, going to Manchester, N. H., thence to Indiana, where he d. in 1856.

13. ADAMS, SAMPSON⁷, younger bro. of the last, b. Hub., was a res. in town for a few years, but no record of a family has been found.

Another branch of the Adams family in W. is derived from George Adams¹, an immigrant settler of Watertown in 1645. He is sup. by a writer



in the Genealogical Register to have been a nephew of Henry¹ of Braintree, but without satisfactory attestation. Ab. 1664 he, with w. Frances and 5 chn., rem. to Camb. Farms (Lexington), where he spent the remainder of his days. He was a glover by trade; was k. by the falling of a tree, Oct. 10, 1696. His s., George², b. 1647, m. Martha Fiske of Lex. and had George³, b. 1685, who became an eminent physician of Lex. and vicinity. By his w. Judith he had 10 chn., among whom was Elizabeth⁴, who m. Robert Baker of Concord, f. of Nathn of W. George³ and Judith also had

14. ADAMS, DANIEL⁴, b. May 2, 1724. He m. Nov. 22, 1743, Elizabeth, dau. of John and Elizabeth Baker of Concord, niece of Robert, just named. He seems to have l. a few years in Waltham, rem. thence to Littleton, and finally to W., purchasing March 31, 1766, ab. 50 a. of the Governor's farm, afterwards the Abraham Sampson place, of Nathl. Houghton, Lanc., where he res. and d., prob. in 1771, being taxed for the last time that year. His wid. d. Jan. 14, 1818, a. 92. Chn. so far as known:

15. ELIZABETH⁵, b. March 1, 1743-4; m. Jonas Baker; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. ab. 1776.
16. JONAS⁵, b. March 11, 1745-6; prob. m. Peggy Boyd; set. W. Windsor, Vt., and had 6 chn.

17. SETH⁵, b. Jan. 13, 1747-8; m. Mary Reed; res. W.

18. DANIEL⁵(?); m. Sarah —; res. Fitzwilliam, N. H.; sev. chn.

19. JOHN⁵; m. twice; res. W.

20. SARAH⁵, b. June 6, 1763; m. Abraham Sampson; res. W.; no chn.

21. GEORGE⁵, b. Nov. 2, 1767; m. Mary, dau. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Withington) Woodward, Jan. 1, 1789, and set. in Fitzwilliam, where she was adm. to the chh. Sept. 4, 1791, and where sev. chn. were b., 1789-98. The parents then rem. to Ludlow, Vt., and spent the remainder of their days, having prob. other chn. b. to them. Only one of the chn., so far as known, set. permanently in W., of whom see below.

[17.] ADAMS, SETH⁵, s. of the last, was pub. to Mary Reed, Marlboro', March 18, 1770. Set. in W. part of town on an estate set off to Gr., known later as the Reuben Partridge place. He sold out in 1788, and rem. to Jamaica, Vt. Chn. b. W. were:

22. DAVID⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1773. 23. ABEL⁶, b. March 9, 1775; d. Aug. 30, 1777.
24. MARY⁶, b. Jan. 20, 1778. 25. PERCES⁶, b. Sept. 17, 1780.
26. SALLY⁶, b. March 8, 1783.

[19.] ADAMS, JOHN⁵, bro. of the last, m. (1) Lucy —, and set. in the W. part of the town on No. 32, 2d Div. (See A. H., No. 73.) He sold in 1813 to his s. Daniel, and left the place. He m. (2) wid. Patience (Stiles) Priest, who prob. d. W., June 18, 1821. Chn.:

27. JOEL⁶, b. Jan. 9, 1780; m. Molly Tenney; res. Hub. and Peru, Vt.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 16, 1862.

28. ANNIS⁶; nothing learned of her.

29. POLLY⁶; m. Nathan Taylor and — Parker; res. W. Concord, Vt.

30. JOHN⁶, b. 1781; m. Nancy Tenney; res. Ludlow, Vt.; 7 chn.; d. March 21, 1855.

31. DANIEL⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1788; m. twice; res. W. and Gr.

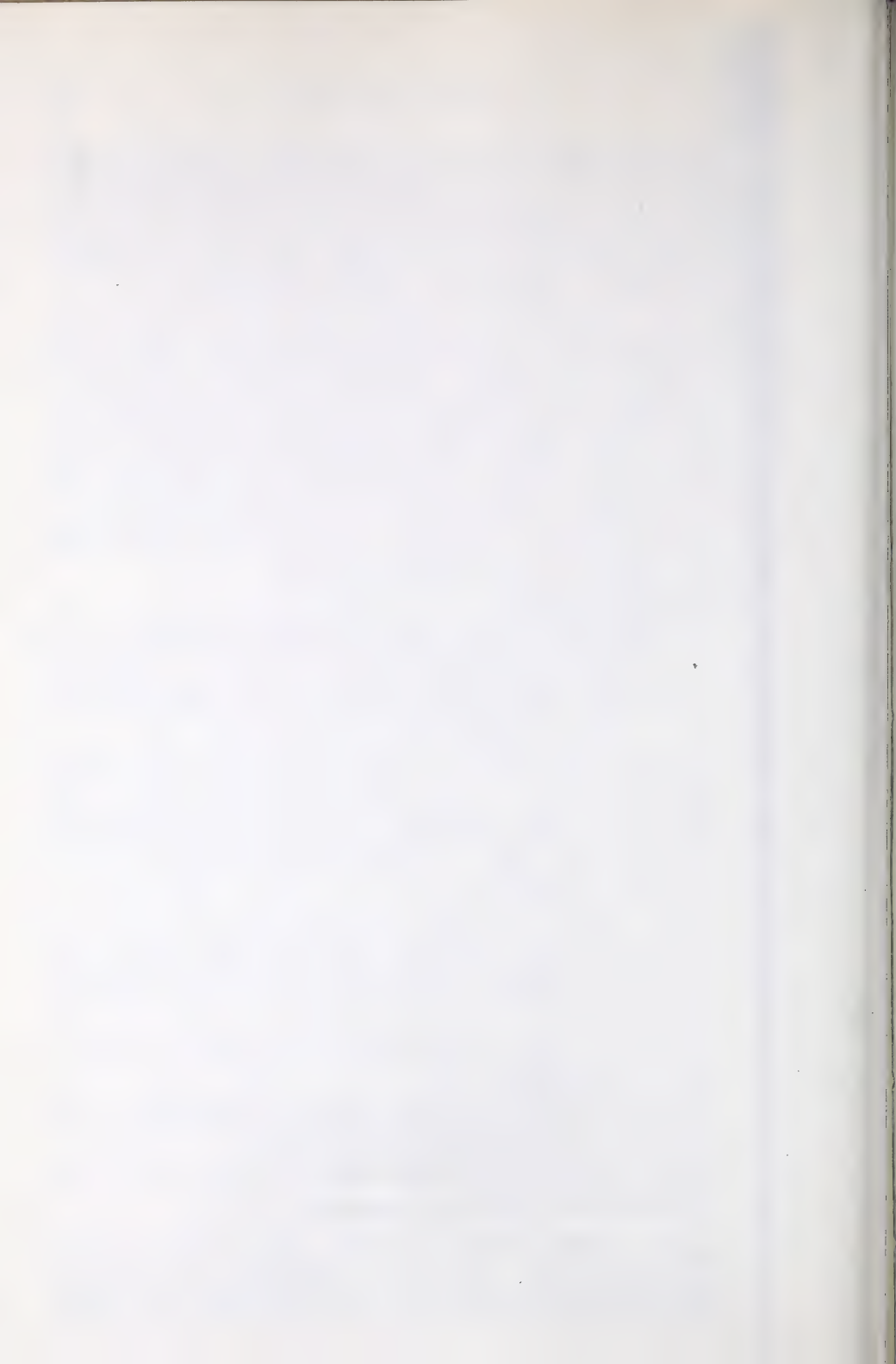
32. BETSEY⁶; m. Edmund Nichols; res. W.; sev. chn.

33. LUCY⁶, b. March 16, 1790; m. Joseph Metcalf; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. April 23, 1873.

34. SALLY⁶; m. Ira Pettibone.

35. RELIEF⁶; m. Wm. Moore; res. Wallingford, Vt.

[31.] ADAMS, DANIEL⁶, s. of the last, was pub. to Dinah Metcalf, Ash., Apr. 28, 1812, and located on his f.'s estate, which he bought the next year. In 1824 he sold to his bro.-in-law, Joseph Metcalf, and rem. to Gr., where he d. July 5, 1873,



a. 85. His w., Dinah, d. May 20, 1841, a. 53, and he m. (2) wid. Mary (Baker) Nichols, who d. Aug., 1868, a. 75. His chn., mostly b. in W., were :

36. EZEKIEL⁷, b. March 2, 1813; m. Rhoda Bolton; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
37. HOSEA⁷, b. April 4, 1814; m. Rebecca Conant; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
38. SARAH⁷, b. Nov. 1, 1815; m. Job Clark.
39. LOUISA⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1817; m. Chas. Hartwell.
40. SOPHIA⁷, b. Oct. 16, 1818; m. George Kelton; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
41. RHODA⁷, b. Aug. 9, 1820; m. Ivers Whitney; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
42. MERRICK⁷, b. June 14, 1823; m. Martha, dau. Jonathan Brown.
43. DANIEL⁷, b. Sept. 6, 1826; m. Lucy Rolph of Hub.; 3 chn.

[44.] ADAMS, GEORGE⁶, s. of George⁵ (21) and Mary (Woodward) Adams, b. May 30, 1796; came to W. when a lad to res. with his uncle, Abraham Sampson, of whom he learned the blacksmith's trade, succeeding to the business at the popular stand in the Sawin neighborhood. When past middle life he rem. to the village. He was an active citizen, serving as selectman and assessor, as well as in other public capacities. He m. Feb. 25, 1819, Sally, dau. of Asa and Lucena (Puffer) Merriam, by whom he had a large family. Both attained advanced age, having lived together more than 64 yrs., and both were great sufferers from cancer during their last days. He d. June 9, 1884, a. 88; she d. Oct. 12, 1883, a. 85. Chn.:

45. ABRAHAM S.⁷, b. Aug. 14, 1819; m. Elmira Eager; res. Waterbury, Vt.; 6 chn.; living.
46. ASA M.⁷, b. May 20, 1821; d. Dec. 2, 1845; unm.
47. SARAH⁷, b. Sept. 17, 1822; m. Newell R. Wheeler; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Nov. 26, 1845.
48. MARY⁷, b. May 7, 1824; m. Ransom G. Lockwood; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Dec., 1854.
49. GEORGE H.⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1826; d. Dec. 29, 1827.
50. ALDICE⁷, b. April 11, 1828; m. George Whitney; res. Phillipston; 2 chn.; dec'd.
51. MELINDA⁷, b. Jan. 28, 1830; m. Nathan Wood; res. Guy's Mills, Pa.; 4 chn.; d. Oct. 31, 1867.
52. ELIZABETH⁷, b. May 26, 1832; d. Dec. 17, 1845.
53. GEORGE H.⁷, b. Sept. 16, 1834; m. Caroline L. Morse; res. W.
54. ALDIN F.⁷, b. Jan. 29, 1837; m. Eliza Ann Estey; res. W.
55. ELLEN⁷, b. Oct. 23, 1829; m. Nathan Wood; res. Waseca, Minn.; 6 chn.; living.

[53.] ADAMS, GEORGE H.⁷, s. of the last, and a painter by trade, m. Dec. 7, 1865, Caroline L., dau. of James and Lucinda (Dike) Morse. They res. in W. till his d., Dec. 2, 1887, after which the wid. rem. to Fg., her present home. They had 1 chd.:

56. CLIFFORD JUDSON⁸, b. Sept. 9, 1868.

[54.] ADAMS, ALDIN F.⁷, bro. of the last; m. at Dudley, Jan. 23, 1868, Lucy Ann, dau. of Oliver and Lucy (Whitney) Estey. A blacksmith by trade, and also a farmer. Chn.:

57. ADDIE ESTEY⁸, b. Dec. 21, 1869. 58. FRANK ALDIN⁸, b. Aug. 28, 1871.

59. ADAMS, MELVIN, s. of Thomas and Mary of Townsend; lineage untraced; m. (1) Emeline M., dau. of Jos. W. and Mary Wheeler of Pn., and (2) Sarah W. Chapman of Brooklyn, N. Y. The records accord to him twin chn. by his first wife, during his brief res. in town, to wit:

60. PELEG W., b. Aug. 11, 1864.

61. PERCY T. (twin), b. Aug. 11, 1864.





DEA, & MRS. LEVI ALLEN,

W. P. ALLEN, GARDNER, MASS.



ALLEN.

Several immigrants bearing this name located in New England early in its history, becoming the heads of as many lines of descendants scattered far and wide throughout the land. One of these was Ephraim¹, who took up his abode in Roxbury ab. the year 1650. According to the most reliable information thus far obtained, he had a s. Ephraim², who in 1721 set. in Northboro', purchasing of Eleazer How a few acres of land with a gristmill upon it, the first in the town and the only one for many years. He was succeeded by another Ephraim³, whose s. Ephraim⁴ m. Wid. Huldah (Maynard) Chestnut of Shrewsbury (now Boylston), where he resided a short time and then removed and located permanently in Petersham. He had among other children Abner⁵, who lived in Palmer; Samuel⁶, who went to Westfield, N. Y., and was the father of Anthony B.⁶ and Richard L.⁶, the founders of the *American Agriculturist*; and Ephraim⁶, who m. (1) Lydia Warren of Northboro' and (2) Wid. Elizabeth (Howard) Holden of W. He set. in the north part of Hubbardston, on the farm now owned by his grandson, John Allen, a well-known and highly-respected citizen of the town.

1. ALLEN, LEVI⁶, s. of Dea. Ephraim⁵ and Lydia (Warren) Allen, was b. in Hub., Nov. 27, 1791. He m. March, 1818, Isabella, dau. of Ebenezer and Mary (Bullard) Mann, and set. upon a part of his f.'s estate. After a few years, however, he bought of John Dunn the original Josiah Jackson place, lot No. 92, in this town, and in March, 1838, became a res. here. He was a man of sterling worth and exemplary life, and a deacon of the Universalist Church. He was also a friend and supporter of the various humanitarian and reformatory movements of his day. He d. July 1, 1872, a. 80; his w. d. Feb. 14, 1864, a. 69. Their chn., all b. in Hub., were:

2. ROXA⁷, b. June 27, 1818; m. Solon Raymond.

3. DARIUS M.⁷, b. May 14, 1822; m. (1) Ruth Pollard; (2) Sophia L. Ober; res. W.

4. LYMAN⁷, b. Jan. 15, 1826; m. Angeline Chapman; res. W.

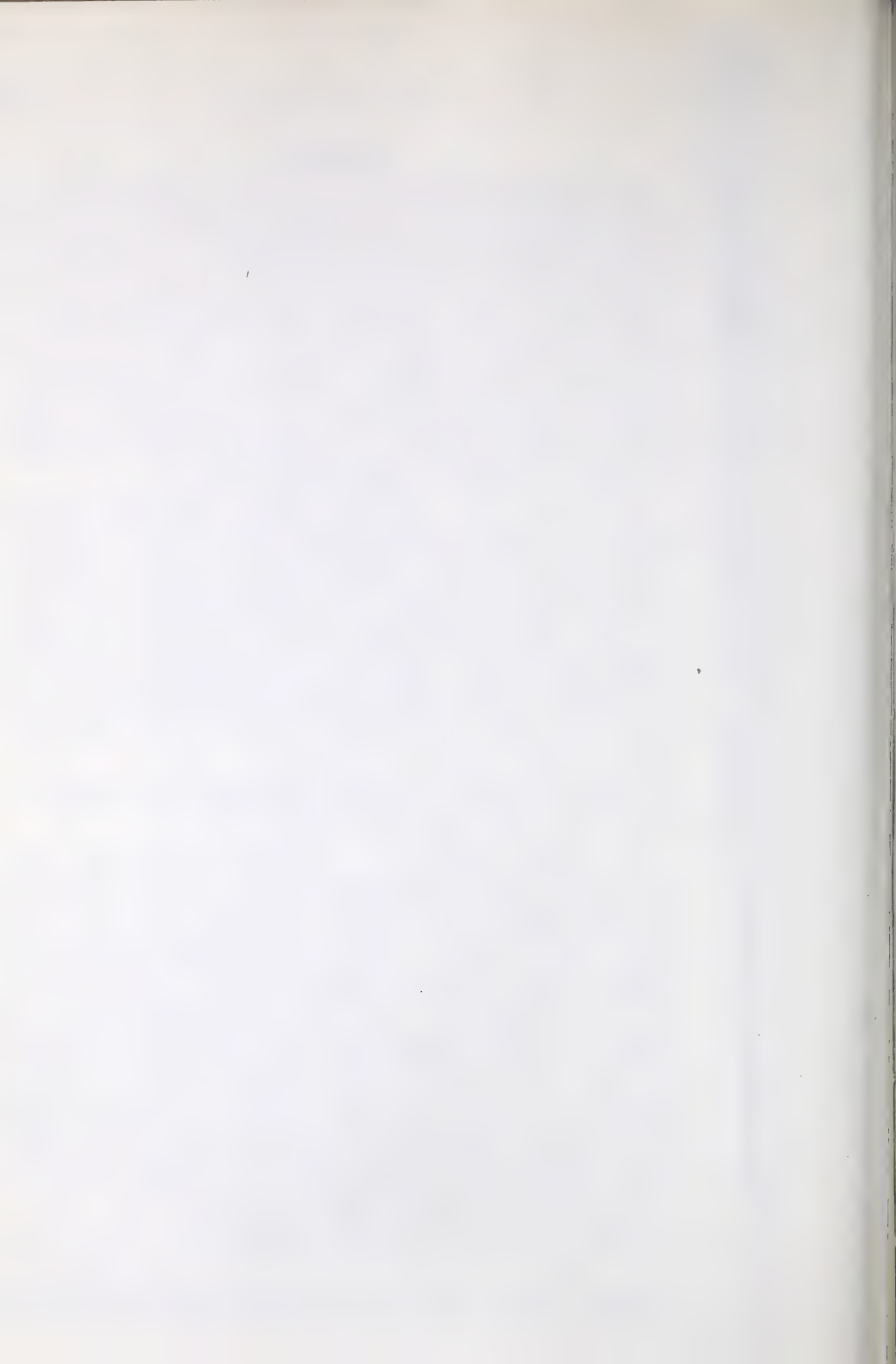
5. ADDISON⁷, b. Sept. 20, 1833; d. March 20, 1834.

[3.] ALLEN, DARIUS M.⁷, s. of the last, m. (1) Ruth, dau. of Joel and Ruth (Fiske) Pollard of Hub., in Oct., 1849; and (2) Sophia L. Ober of Reading, June 5, 1855. He res. in W. for some years, devoting himself considerably to teaching and other literary pursuits. He was active in public affairs, especially in those relating to education, serving several terms on the School Committee. Early and continuously interested in the various moral and social reforms, he traveled much in their behalf as lecturer and distributor of literature pertaining thereto. Later on he rem. to South Newbury, Geauga Co., Ohio, where he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, though intermitting them more or less with labors at home and abroad of a literary, philanthropic, and semi-theological character. His w., Ruth, d. Dec. 24, 1852. He with w., Sophia, now res. at Douglassville, Ga., whither they went a few yrs. since. Chn.:

6. EMMA FRANCES⁸, b. W., Aug. 3, 1850; d. Oct. 20, 1851.

7. WILLETT A.⁸, b. So. N., March, 1861; a teacher at Capital Coll., Atlanta, Ga.

[4.] ALLEN, LYMAN⁷, bro. of the last, after attaining his majority, left the place for some years and engaged at different



points in mechanical and agricultural labors. Returning to W. in 1863, he lived with his f. and succeeded at his death to the paternal estate, remaining in possession until a recent date. He is a man of sterling sense and moral worth, respected and honored by his fellow-townsmen. He has served many terms as Assessor and Selectman, and has also been Moderator of numerous town meetings, in which position he has displayed much ability and tact, as well as a good knowledge of parliamentary usages. He m. at Hopedale, Nov 18, 1855, Angeline, dau. of Charles and Nancy Chapman of New London, Conn. They have had 2 chn.:

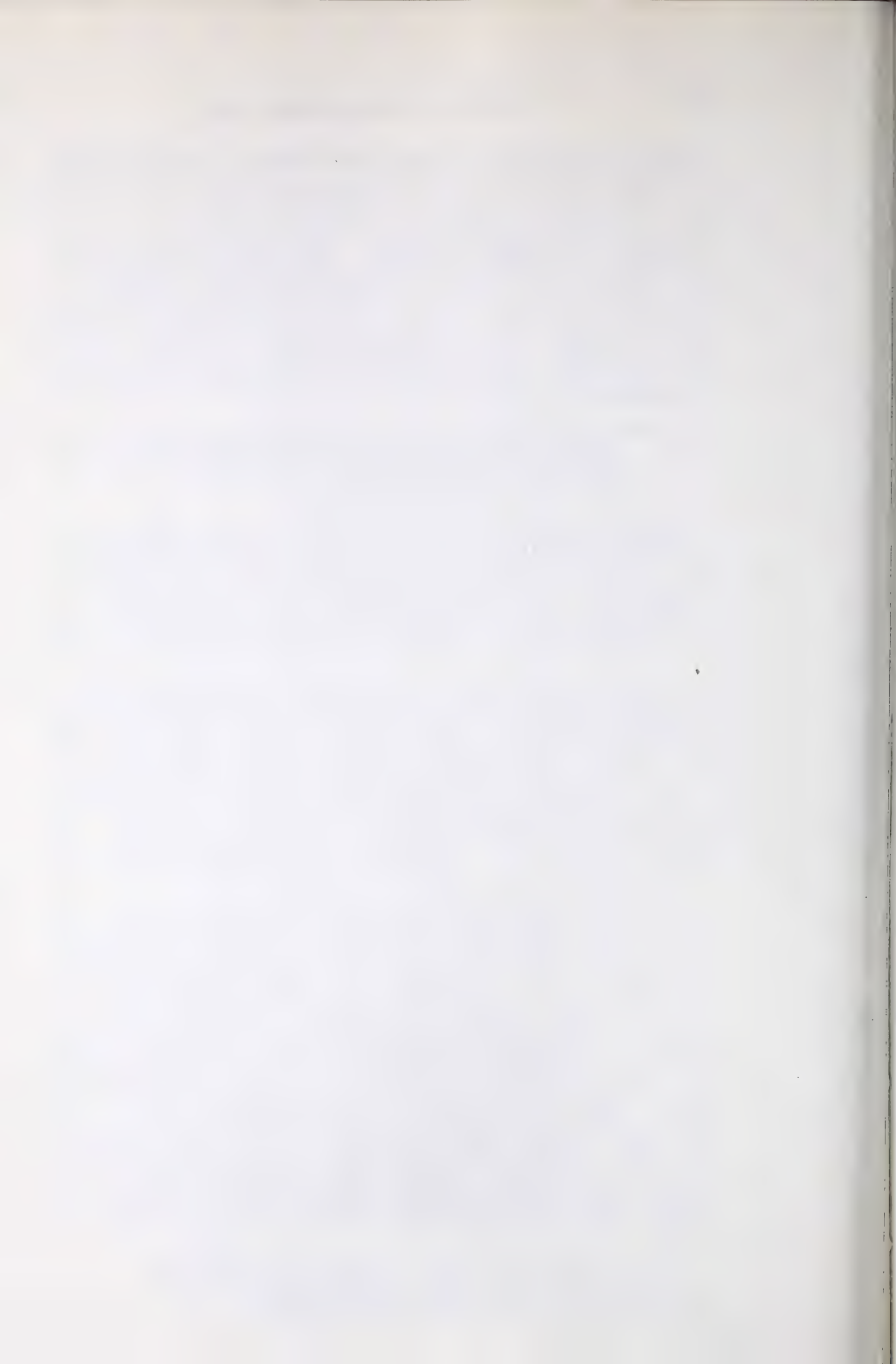
8. CHARLES LEVI⁸, b. Aug. 30, 1857, at Union Grove, Minn. Spent most of his early days in W. Grad. of "Free Industrial School," Worc.; res. Holyoke, where he has been a member of the city govt.; m. Oct. 23, 1883, Mary O. Hutchins, Temp., and has 3 chn.
9. LILLIAN⁸, b. June 12, 1862; d. Dec. 9, 1864, at W.

Another of the early settlers in New England, having the name now under notice, was Walter Allen¹, a resident of Newbury in 1640, who rem. to Watertown in 1662, and thence soon after to Charlestown, where he d. in 1681. Very little is known of him. His son Joseph² had a Joseph³, the father of a third Joseph⁴, who was one of the pioneer residents of Hardwick. A son of the latter, David⁵, had a second David⁶, who m. Ruth Dexter, ptge. and date of birth unknown.

9. ALLEN, WILLARD⁷, s. of the last named, was b. Feb. 1, 1801, and m. Mercy, dau. of Maj. Gardner and Lydia (Phinney) Ruggles (pub. Oct. 8), 1826. He first set. in his native town, but May 26, 1837, purchased the hotel in the central village of W., and, coming here, took possession of it and ran it till failing health obliged him to give it up. He was a great sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism during the last years of his life. He d. Sept. 24, 1852, a. 51. Mercy, his wid., d. Sept. 15, 1882, a. 77. They had 1 s.:

10. ALLEN, FREDERICK⁸, b. Hardwick, Aug. 24, 1827. He m. (1) July 1, 1850, Jane E., dau. of Theodore and Emma Locke of W., who d. Nov. 15, 1859, a. 27; and (2) Hattie A. Thomas of Brandon, Vt., Feb. 27, 1862. He retained possession of the hotel property for several years after the death of his f., managing it himself a portion of the time and renting it the remainder. At length he sold out to a Fg. Co., and subsequently moved to Athol, where he still res. He was elected town clerk for 2 years, and proved an able and efficient servant of the public. While in that office he copied in alphabetical order the entire record of births, marriages, and deaths in the place, from the beginning to his own day, causing the same to be lodged in the rooms of the New England Historic-Genealogical Society, Boston, for safe and permanent keeping. Has had 4 chn.:

11. CHARLES W.⁹, b. May 14, 1851; m. Helena Stuart and has 2 chn.
12. THEODORE F.⁹, b. June 25, 1853; m. Mary Stuart.
13. EUGENE T.⁹, b. at Athol, and is a prof. of chemistry.
14. J. GRACE⁹, b. at Athol; is an asst. High school teacher.



I. AMES, JACOB, antecedents, etc., unknown, came to W. in the latter part of the thirties, and, Aug. 11, 1838, was pub. to wid. Fannie M. (Spalding) Swan, dau. of Zebina and Fannie (Spring) Spalding. He was a tailor by trade and carried on the business many years at the central village, but finally rem. to Fg., where it is sup. he d. at a date not ascertained. Fannie, his w., d. at W., Aug. 5, 1880, a. 67. A dau. of Mrs. Ames by her first m. had her name legally changed in 1839, and so became one of the family, being included in the following table of chn.:

2. FRANCES A.; m. Samuel A. Stevens; res. Leom.; sev. chn.; living.
3. JEROME S., b. Nov. 18, 1839; m. Nellie Wright; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; living.
4. LUCETTA S., b. Oct. 8, 1843; m. Chs. C. Ainsworth; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; living.
5. ELLA M., b. Feb. 22, 1847; m. Oscar W. Farenholt, U. S. N.; res. Malden; 1 chd.; living.
6. MARION P., b. May 8, 1849; m. Frank M. Sawyer; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.

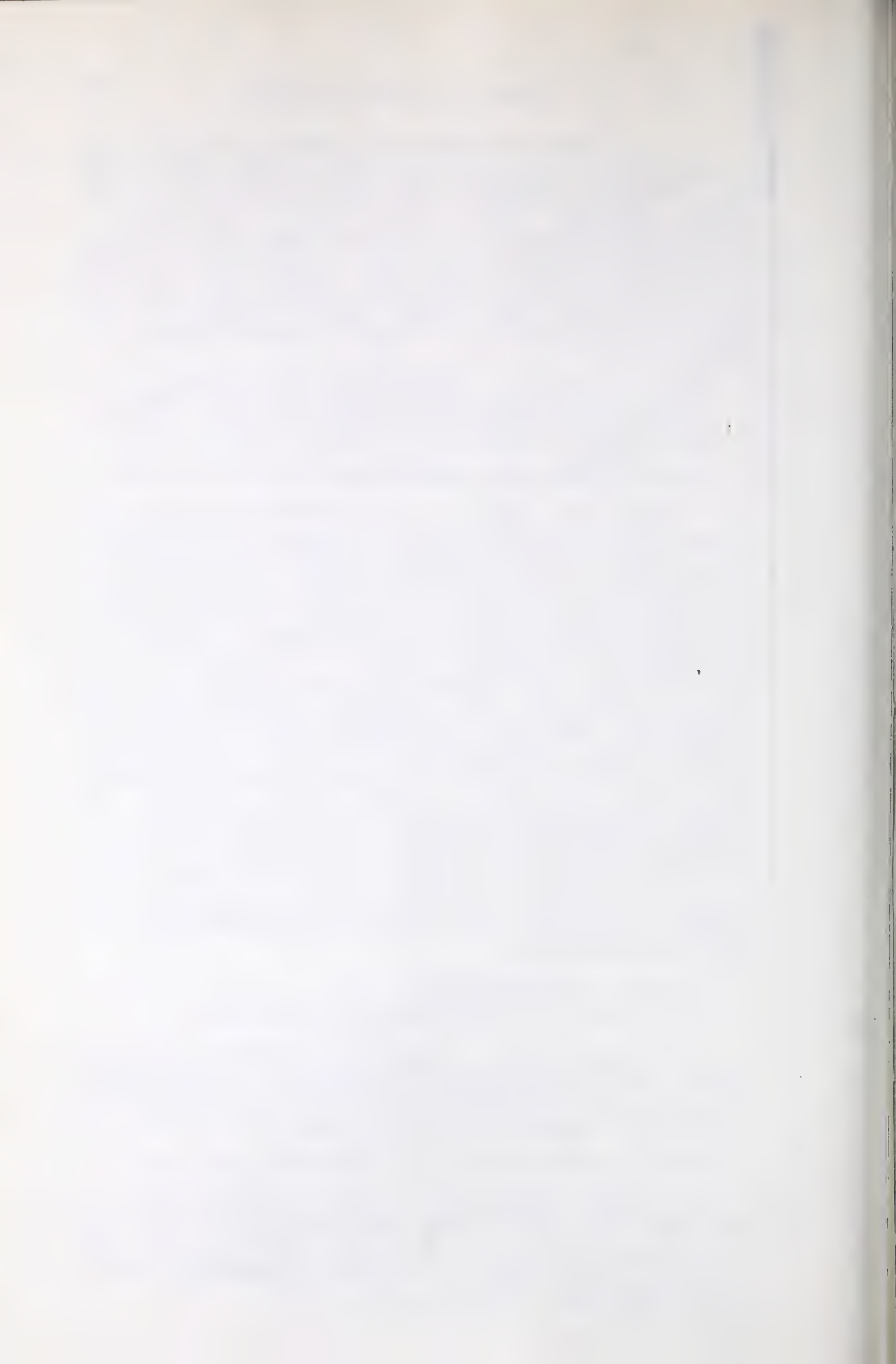
7. AMES, REV. MARCUS, b. at Marshfield, date, etc., unknown. After going through coll. and grad. at Andover Theological Sem. he studied medicine, thereby fitting himself for a varied service in the foreign mission field. Insufficient health prevented him from engaging in that service and he took up the active work of the Chn. Ministry at home. Was first set. at Patterson, N. J., whence he rem. to W. and became the Pastor of the First Chh. and Society in 1856, resigning his charge at the end of 3 yrs. He subsequently preached at Fg. and Chelsea, was Supt. of the State Reformatory School for Girls at Lanc. 13 yrs., and Chaplain of the Penal and Reformatory Institutions of R. I. several yrs., going thence to Thompson, Conn., and resuming the special duties of his profession. His health soon gave way, resulting in mental aberration, in a fit of which he d. by his own hand in a private hosp. at Pepperill, whither he had gone for medical treatment, Dec., 1888. A man of excellent character, spiritually minded, and of humane impulses and activities. His w. was Jane A. Vandenburg of N. Y., by whom he had 3 chn.:

8. MARCUS J.; drowned at Andover.
9. HERMON V.; a tutor in Michigan University.
10. ELLA E., unm., who res. with her mother at Ann Arbor, Mich.

I. ATWOOD, SEWALL A., ptge., etc., untraced, a native of Chester Vt., came to town ab. 1870 with his w., Lucinda (Bruce). They remained a few years, when their names disappear from the records. While here they had 2 chn.:

2. FRED. E., b. March 10, 1873.
3. ARTHUR M., b. June 4, 1875.

4. ATWOOD, RICHARD R., s. of Thomas and Mary C., b. Bucksport, Me., March 1, 1846, rem. from Fg. to W. Oct., 1886; is a carpenter and builder by trade. He m. Aug. 19, 1868, Lizzie E., dau. of Almon A. and Maria G. Bolton, who was b. Pn. Jan. 27, 1851. They had 4 chn.:



5. EDWIN J., b. Rockville, L. I., June 22, 1872.
6. GEORGE W., b. Fg. Jan. 25, 1875.
7. SIDNEY C., b. Fg. Sept. 27, 1877; d. April 13, 1878.
8. SADIE M., b. Fg. July 21, 1880.

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BACON. The attempt to trace the lineage of this W. family has been attended with no very satisfactory results. One George Bacon and his wife, Mary, were in Roxbury early in the last century, but whence they came or whither they went has not been ascertained. They are sup. to have been the parents of George of Newton, but of this there is no absolute proof. The latter m. Susannah, dau. of John Greenwood of N., whose sr. Ruth m. Isaac Jackson and became the mother of Josiah, Edward, and Elisha, settlers in this town about the time of its incorporation.

1. BACON, EDWARD, s. of George and Susannah (Greenwood) Bacon, was b. at Newton, Dec. 27, 1744. On the 16th of Feb., 1772, he, then said to be "of Cambridge," where he perhaps res. a few yrs., bought of Thomas Bridgen lot No. 47, 2d Div., in the E. part of the town, on which he set. and where he and his descendants lived until a recent date. He bore the title of Lieut., and hence may be presumed to have been active in military circles. He was a high-minded, trustworthy citizen, taking an active part in the affairs of the town, and holding many years the office of selectman besides other positions of responsibility and honor. His w. was Lydia, dau. of Dea. John and Hannah (Greenwood) Woodward of Newton, to whom he was pub. May 28, 1773. He d. July 2, 1829, a. 84; she d. Jan. 25, 1833, a. 83. Chd.:

2. EDWARD, b. Feb. 26, 1778; m. twice and res. in town; d. Jan. 19, 1860.

[2.] BACON, EDWARD, just named, was a man of superior native ability and practical judgment, as well as of unimpeachable integrity and exemplary life,—the holder of many places of trust, faithfully filled; the recipient of many official honors, worthily bestowed. He was 3 yrs. Selectman and 10 yrs. Assessor. Having in early years some military aspirations, he rose to the rank of Maj. in the 4th Regt., 2d Brig., 7th Div., Mass. Militia in 1808, gaining a title by which he was generally distinguished through life. He m. (1) Elizabeth, dau. of Edmund and Elizabeth (Holden) Barnard, who bore him 1 chd. and d. June 13, 1803; and (2) Betsey Goldsmith of Troy, N. H., the mother of 8 chn. He d. Jan. 19, 1860, a. 81; Betsey G., his 2d w., d. Nov. 25, 1843, a. 61. Chn.:

3. SON (unnamed), b. Jan., 1803; d. Feb. 3, 1803.
4. LYDIA DANE, b. April 11, 1808; m. Benjamin Wyman; d. July 5, 1834.
5. ELIZA BARNARD, b. Oct. 8, 1809; d. Oct. 9, 1812.
6. SARAH GOLDSMITH, b. June 23, 1811; m. Samuel Dole; res. Fg.
7. ELIZA BARNARD, b. April 1, 1813; d. Oct. 18, 1830, a. 17.
8. LUCY ANN, b. April 24, 1815; d. Feb., 1834, a. 18.
9. MARY, b. April 27, 1817; d. Jan. 18, 1833, a. 15.
10. MARTHA, b. May 25, 1819; m. Samuel Dole, Fg. (2d wife.)
11. EDWARD, b. March 10, 1821; m. Hannah F. Merriam; d. Jan. 10, 1885.

[11.] BACON, EDWARD, the third of the same name in regular succession, possessed many of his f.'s admirable personal



1. AMFED characteristics, and received many tokens of the love and confidence of his friends and fellow-townsmen. He was for some years selectman and held other responsible positions. He m. Hannah F., dau. of Dea. Joel and Polly (Farnsworth) Merriam, Jan. 17, 1843, by whom he had 6 chn. He d. suddenly Jan. 10, 1885, a. 63; his w. d. Oct. 17, 1884, a. 60. Chn.:

12. EDMUND FRANKLIN, b. April 19, 1844; m. Lizzie Robinson; res. Fg.
13. SARAH G., b. Jan. 21, 1847. 14. ELLEN M., b. Feb. 22, 1850.
15. CHARLES M., b. Feb. 11, 1852; m. Alice Holden; res. W.
16. GEORGE C., b. Sept. 26, 1854.
17. JENNIE A., b. Jan. 7, 1857; m. Stillman W. Simonds.

[15.] BACON, CHARLES MALCOLM, s. of the last, m. Dec. 25, 1881, Alice, dau. of George and Harriet F. (Priest) Holden, and set. on the ancestral estate. He d. 1891, and the property soon passed out of the possession of the fam. Only 1 chd. recorded:

18. GEORGE E., b. Nov. 1, 1882.

19. BACON, ARNA, for many yrs. a resident of W., was s. of Joseph of Gr., who, with his w., Abigail (Cole), came to that town from Sherborn ab. the yr. 1772, and located on the fine estate at the northern extremity of Crystal Lake. Lineage traced no further. The s. was b. in Sherborn Jan. 16, 1771. Upon attaining mature yrs., he m. Betsey, dau. of David and Mehitabel (Brown) Sawin of W., and set. in Gr., where he lived awhile and where his chn. were b. In 1816 he bought at sheriff's sale the Ezra Taylor place, on the N. E. corner of what are now Bacon and Eliot Sts., consisting of a few a. of land with dwelling house and mill upon it, and took up his abode there. Later in life he moved to the other side of the street, where his dau., Mrs. John Lewis, recently res. He, too, was militarily inclined, and, after rising to the command of a Gr. Co. in 1804, was 4 yrs. afterward commissioned Maj. in 5th Regt., 2d Brig., 7th Div., Mass. Militia. He d. July 25, 1838, a. 67; his w., Betsey, d. March 9, 1855, a. 83. Chn.:

20. BETSEY, b. Aug. 22, 1793; d. unm. July 15, 1881.
21. POLLY, b. June 14, 1798; d. Jan. 12, 1800.
22. SOPHRONIA M., b. Sept. 4, 1809; m. John Lewis, res. W.

Betsey Bacon (20), oldest dau. of the last, was a woman of strong intellectual powers, of marked traits of character, and of unusual executive ability. Cherishing opinions of her own, she was free to express them; knowing her rights, she dared maintain them. Familiar with books and the current news of her day, she was herself a writer of some merit and an occasional contributor to the public press upon topics moral, social, and religious, in which she took an interest. Leaving the parental roof at an early age she made her home with her maternal grandparents in the south part of W., caring for them in their declining years, and, at their death, succeeding to their dwelling and the greater part of their estate, which she managed with prudence and skill. A severe illness in 1858 resulted some years later in the loss of the power of vision, but she still attended to her household duties and looked after the affairs of her farm, till, enfeebled by the infirmities of age, she was obliged to resign them to those better able to have them in charge. Her spirit of independence and her pious trust never forsook her, even in the most trying hours of life, but remained sure and steadfast to the end. She passed to her rest, July 15, 1881, in the 88th year of her age.



23. BACON, TIMOTHY, birthplace, ptge., and other details unascertained. He was first taxed here in 1785. He was a joiner and cabinet maker by trade, and in 1786 contracted for framing the second meetinghouse. In 1791, himself and w. Sybil, with chn.—Moses, Aaron, Betty, Nabby, Timothy, John, Noah, and Sybil—were warned out of town; remained only 8 yrs. Place of residence afterward, unknown.

1. BAILEY, JOSEPH, s. of Shubael and Anna (Houghton) of Lanc., b. May 11, 1730, m. Feb. 13, 1753, Lydia Parker and located in this township, prob. on lot No. 117, in the "Narrows" neighborhood, where he remained some 10 or more yrs. He then seems to have rem. to Sterling, but ret. bef. 1773, when his w. was dism. from the chh. there to the chh. in W. He bought lands of Joseph Hosley Nov. 30th of that yr. Later than this, nothing has been learned of him or his fam. Chn.:

2. JOSEPH, b. Oct. 10, 1755.

3. STEPHEN, b. Feb. 27, 1757.

4. SHUBAEL, b. Jan. 27, 1761.

5. BAILEY, DUDLEY, s. of John of Lanc., was b. Dec. 16, 1744. He m. Oct. 22, 1772; Ruhamah, dau. of David and Mary Dunster, and set. on the southern part of the Dunster farm, lot No. 117. The site of his house is still pointed out on the old bridleway leading from the Smith sawmill to Wachusettville. (See A. H. No. 85.) He rem. to Brattleboro', Vt., ab. 1786, and thence to Dummerston 12 yrs. later, where he d. March 8, 1812. His w. d. March 8, 1835. Chn.:

6. POLLY; m. Joel French; 6 chn.

7. LEVI; d. March 13, 1851.

8. DAVID; m. Lydia Allen and had 12 chn.; d. March 19, 1867.

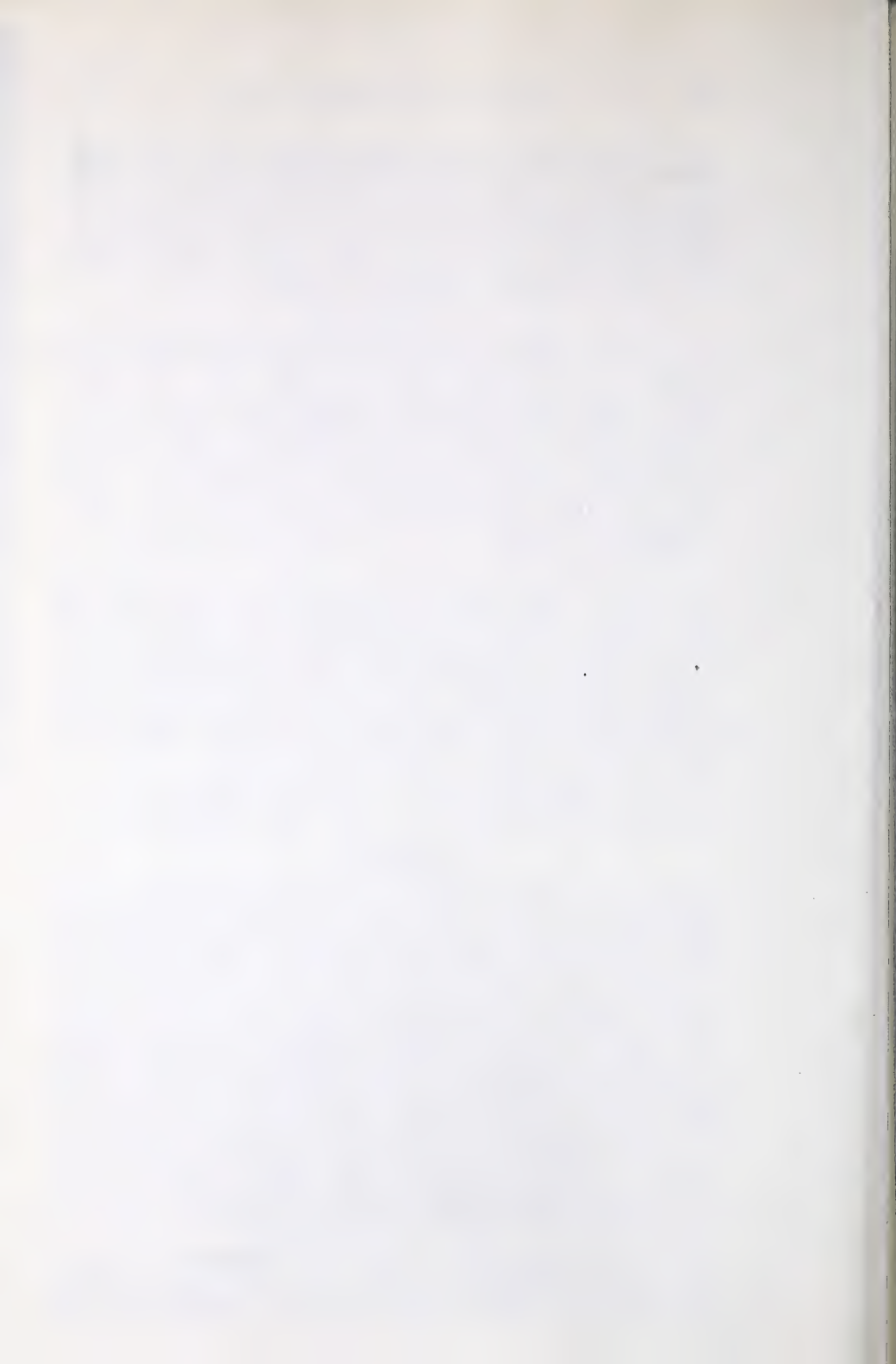
9. EPHRAIM; nothing known.

10. HENRY; nothing known.

BAKER.

About the year 1720 John Baker and Elizabeth, his wife, with two small children, John and Robert, came to this country from Bristol, Eng., for a permanent settlement. Others of the name preceded them to these shores, whose descendants had already attained considerable numbers and had been widely distributed through the several colonies. It is not known that the new-comers were in any way related to those who were here before them, though it is possible, if not probable, that they belonged to the same original stock from which they branched off at some remote period of history. Sufficient for the purposes of the present inquiry is the fact that John¹ and Elizabeth, the connubial pilgrims of 1720, became the united head of an entirely new branch of the Baker family in this part of America, and that those of the name in W. have derived existence from them. They first located in Charlestown, in which place four more chn. were b., but rem. thence in a few years to Concord, where still other four came to increase the family, making a domestic group of an even dozen, themselves included. Of the children, two sons and two daughters became residents of W. One of the last, Elizabeth, m. Daniel Adams, and another, Sarah, d. here, unm., at an unascertained date. The sons are mentioned below.

1. BAKER, RICHARD², s. of John¹ and Elizabeth, the immigrants, was b. in Concord, April 8, 1729. Arriving at mature age he is sup. to have l. awhile in Lanc., forming there the



acquaintance of Mary, dau. of Bezaleel and Judith Sawyer, whom he m. Nov. 16, 1758. She was gd. dau. of that Thomas Sawyer, who, with others, was captured by the Indians in 1705 and taken to Canada, and who was subsequently rescued from torture and death and finally set at liberty on condition that he should build a sawmill for those having him in charge on Chambly River, which was accordingly done. This mill was the first erected and put in operation in that country. Previous to his marriage, Richard Baker purchased, June 4, 1755, of Obadiah Kendall, the first occupant, house lot No. 39, upon which his gt.-gd.s., Calvin, recently res. Soon after locating upon it he was impressed into the ranks of the British army, which was engaged in the conflict with the French and Indians, his term of service terminating as narrated near the close of Chapter VII. Mr. Baker was a brickmaker as well as farmer, as were two of his successors on the estate. He d. Dec. 13, 1808, a. 80, and his w., Mary, Aug. 1, 1813, in the 78th yr. of her a. Chn.:

2. JONADAB³, b. Aug. 30, 1759; m. Tabitha Wilson; res. Marlboro', N. H.; 4 chn.; d. Sept. 23, 1820.
3. THOMAS³, b. May 21, 1761; m. Mary Lewis; res. Gr.; 5 chn.; d. March 24, 1842.
4. JOANNA³, b. Aug. 4, 1763; m. Nicholas Dike; 12 chn.; d. March 10, 1848.
5. MANASSEH³, b. Oct. 4, 1765; m. (1) Sarah —; (2) Lois Benson; res. Uxbridge; 10 chn.; d. June 30, 1831.
6. BEZALEEL³, b. Jan. 4, 1768; m. Abigail Wood; res. Troy, N. H.; 8 chn.; d. Oct. 1, 1849.
7. JOHN³, b. May 4, 1770; m. Mary Howard; res. Barre, Vt.; 8 chn.; d. Oct. 1, 1839.
8. LUKE³, b. Aug. 14, 1772; m. Priscilla Matthews; res. Rutland; 5 chn.; d. Dec. 30, 1846.
9. JUDITH³, b. Jan. 4, 1775; m. Ezekiel Wood; res. Barre, Vt.; 6 chn.; d. Dec. 17, 1856.
10. JOEL³, b. March 7, 1777; m. Mary Damon; d. Nov. 13, 1846.

[10.] BAKER, JOEL³, youngest s. of Richard and Mary, was the only one who set. permanently in his native town. His bro. John, who was pub. Dec. 22, 1791, to Polly, dau. of Nathan and Lydia (Lynde) Howard, was in the place a few yrs. and had Polly, b. June 10, 1796, but rem. soon after to Barre, Vt., and thence ab. 1821 to Stanbridge, P. Q., where he ended his days. Joel remained on the paternal domain, combining farming and brickmaking, as successor to his f. in both callings. He was an industrious, thrifty citizen, a man of substance, good standing, and character, and a devoted member of the Universalist Chh., of which he was one of the first deacons. He was pub. Feb. 28, 1800, to Mary, dau. of Timothy and Rebecca Damon, whom he m. and had by her a large fam. of chn., several of whom passed away comparatively early in life. Few of his decendents are now l. He d. Nov. 18, 1846, a. 69, and his w., Mary, followed him to the unseen world July 12, 1856, a. 72. Chn.:

11. CYRUS⁴, b. Aug. 11, 1800; m. Eliza Miller; res. Ludlow, Vt.; 7 chn.; d. Dec. 30, 1877.
12. JOEL⁴, b. March 11, 1802; m. Maria Smith; d. March 6, 1852.



13. MARY⁴, b. June 18, 1804; lived with parents and d. unm. June 4, 1840.
14. EBER⁴, b. March 20, 1806; m. Eunice Davis; d. April 10, 1872.
15. GEORGE⁴, b. Aug. 27, 1808; m. Cyrene Kibling; res. Ashm.; 2 chn.; d. June 28, 1881.
16. RICHARD⁴, b. Oct. 11, 1810; m. Laura W. Cady; res. Royalston; 2 chn.; d. July 11, 1864.
17. SAWYER⁴, b. Aug. 8, 1813; d. unm. May 7, 1838.
18. ELIZABETH⁴, b. Sept. 20, 1815; m. John Lowell; res. Uxbridge; 5 chn.; d. May 11, 1868.
19. LUKE⁴, b. Aug. 4, 1817; d. unm. Feb. 11, 1847.
20. LYMAN⁴, b. Sept. 17, 1819; m. Lucinda Lincoln; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. Minn., April 8, 1859.
21. ELVIRA⁴, b. Dec. 20, 1821; m. John Vial; res. Auburn; no chn.; d. Aug. 7, 1864.
22. MARTHA⁴, b. May 25, 1825; d. unm. Aug. 8, 1841.

[12.] BAKER, JOEL⁴, s. of the last, m. Maria, dau. of Charles and Polly (Burgess) Smith (pub. March 31st), 1838, and set. on the farm adjoining that of his f., now owned by Geo. M. Davis. He was a carpenter by trade, working thereat, as opportunity or convenience offered, in connection with the more general labors pertaining to his land. He served the tn. 1 yr. as assessor. He d. March 6, 1852, a. 50; his w. d. Feb. 24, 1884, a. 79. Chn.:

23. ADIN FRANKLIN⁵, b. Feb. 4, 1839; m. Mary E. Merriam.
24. MARIA E.⁵, b. Oct. 31, 1842; d. May 12, 1850.
25. CHARLES R.⁵, b. June 20, 1846; m. Jane Leighton.

[14.] BAKER, EBER⁴, bro. of the last, m. Jan. 10, 1839, Eunice, dau. of Elijah and Eunice (Russell) Davis, of Mason, N. H., and set. on the old place with his f., succeeding him at length both in estate and occupation. Early in life he became a convert to the Baptist faith, of which he was a devoted adherent. He d. April 11, 1872, a. 66; his w. d. Sept. 7, 1874, a. 65. Chn.:

26. MARY JANE⁵, b. Aug. 9, 1842; m. J. J. Hobart; res. Greenville, N. H.; no issue.
27. CALVIN⁵, b. April 24, 1844; m. (1) Mary A. Fuller; (2) Ada F. Bassett; res. W.
28. LEONORA D.⁵, b. March, 19, 1848; unm.; lives W.

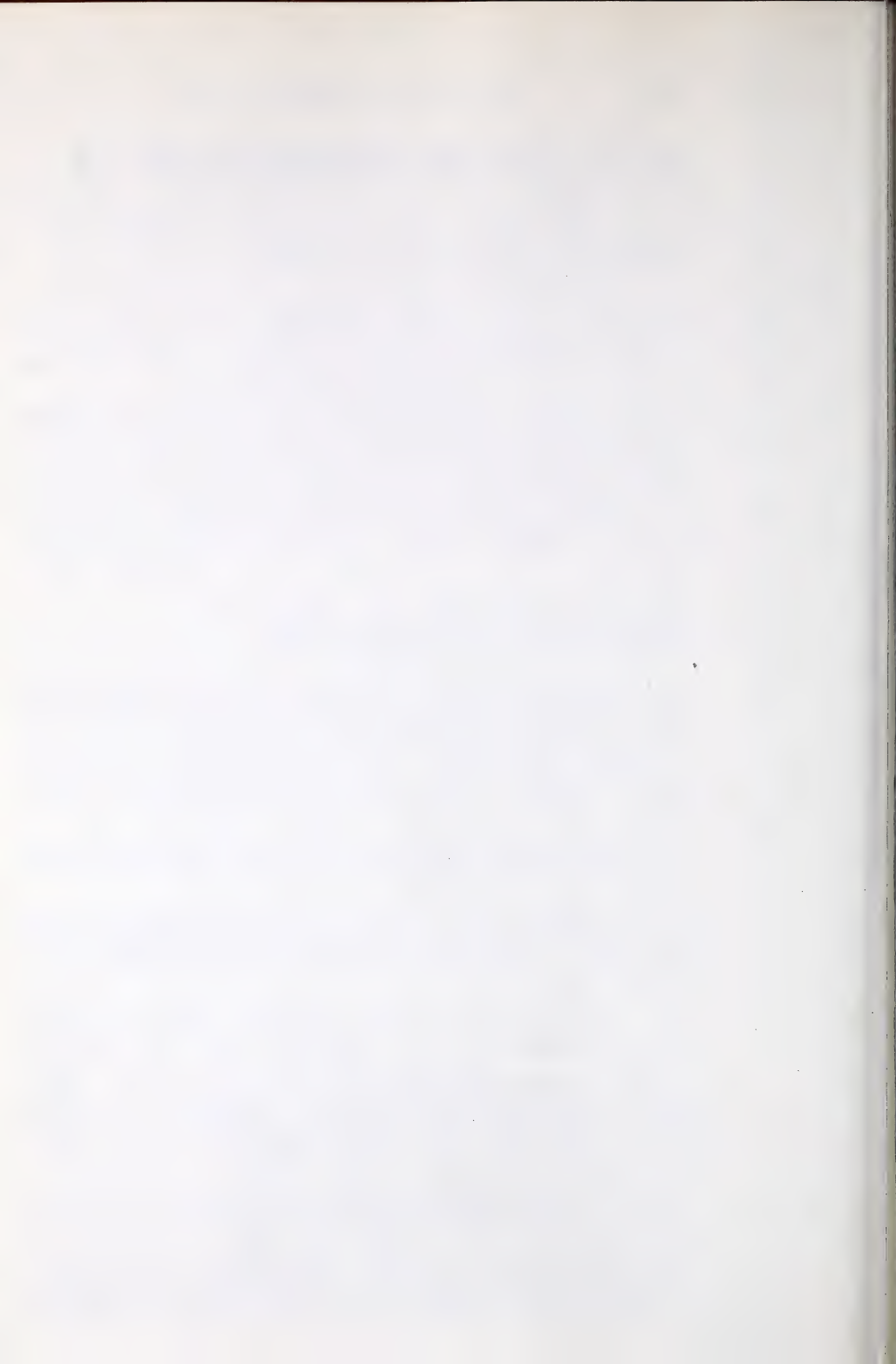
[23.] BAKER, ADIN FRANKLIN⁵, s. of Joel and Maria (Smith) Baker, m. Mary Ella, dau. Artemas and Salome (Holden) Merriam, May 26, 1866, and res. in the village of So. W.; chair-maker. Chn.:

29. J. ARTEMAS⁶, b. Sept. 28, 1868. An intelligent, high-minded, promising young man.
30. EVA M.⁶, b. Oct. 15, 1877.
31. Unnamed⁶, b. Feb. 24, 1879; d. in infancy.

[25.] BAKER, CHARLES R.⁵, bro. of the last, m. May 4, 1869, Mary J., dau. of Oliver T. and Eliza J. Leighton, b. E. Camb., Jan. 19, 1848. He is a mechanic; res. in his native tn. Chn.:

32. OLIVE J.⁶, b. Nov. 27, 1879.
33. FLORENCE E.⁶, b. Jan. 11, 1886.

[27.] BAKER, CALVIN⁵, s. of Eber and Eunice (Davis) Baker, m. (1) Mary A., dau. of Henry and Mary (Allen) Fuller, of Walpole, N. H., Dec. 21, 1876. She d. June 7, 1878, and he m. (2) Ada F., dau. of Lysander and Emeline (Tenney) Bassett, of Holden, May 13, 1879. He res. on the paternal estate, the



4th generation in possession, but d. suddenly April 21, 1891, a.

47. Chn.:

34. HENRY EBER⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1878; d. same day.

35. IRVING DAVID⁶, b. Dec. 23, 1886; d. Sept. 12, 1887.

36. EUNICE EMELINE⁶, b. Aug. 9, 1888.

37. BAKER, ROBERT², an older br. of Richard (1), b. in Eng. ab. 1720, accompanied his pts., John¹ and Elizabeth, to this country in his infancy. He m. (1) Lydia —, who had 1 chd., and soon after d., and (2) Elizabeth, dau. of Dr. George and Judith Adams of Lexington, sr. of Daniel of W. He res. for a time in Concord, rem. thence to Marlboro', and finally to W. ab. 1775, locating prob. with one of his s. Chn.:

38. PATIENCE³, b. Concord, Feb. 23, 1743; m. Nathan Wetherbee; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Sept. 3, 1771.

39. ELIZABETH³, b. Sept. 3, 1745; d. Jan. 18, 1749.

40. JONAS³, b. March 31, 1747; m. twice; res. W.

41. JOHN³, b. 1749; m. Elizabeth Marshall; res. W.

42. GEORGE³, b. 1750; m. Dinah Parmenter; res. W.

43. NATHAN³, b. 1753; m. Mary —; res. W.

[40.] BAKER, JONAS³, s. of the last, m. (1) his cousin Elizabeth, dau. Daniel and Elizabeth (Baker) Adams of W., pub. Feb. 14, 1774. She d. after a few yrs. and he m. (2) Susannah Simonds of Groton, Sept. 29, 1789. He was taxed here 1773, also 1776-86. He subsequently res. Gr., Sterling, Shirley, etc., —a wandering planet. He d. 1839(?), place unknown. His w., Susannah, in a fit of inebriation, fell into a pool of water at W. April 22, 1813, and was drowned. Chn. as far as known, the first of whom were b. in W.:

44. JONAS⁴, b. Dec. 7, 1777; m. Sally Johnson; res. Springfield; 5 chn.; d. Dec. 11, 1869.

45. NATHAN S.⁴, b. April 20, 1780; m. Martha Blood.

46. JOSEPH S.⁴, b. Nov. 13, 1790; d. ab. 1812.

47. BETSEY⁴, b. Oct. 21, 1793; m. John Fredericks; res. Shirley; 2 chn.; d. May 13, 1815.

48. NANCY R.⁴, b. Aug. 10, 1798; d. unm. April 15, 1876.

49. EPHRAIM L.⁴, b. May 9, 1802; m. Sarah M. Milliken; res. Boston; d. Oct. 15, 1872.

[41.] BAKER, JOHN³, bro. of the last, m. in 1772 Elizabeth Marshall of Marlboro', where he l. a few yrs., rem. thence to this tn. and set. in what is now the S. E. part of Gr., an old cellar marking the site of his dwelling. It is claimed that he was a sold. for 3 yrs. in the Revolution. He d. 1835, a. 86. Chn.:

50. MILLY⁴, b. April 6, 1773; m. Nathan Eaton; res. W.

51. ESTHER⁴, b. Nov. 1, 1774; m. David Comee; res. Gr.; 4 chn.

52. LYDIA⁴, b. April 4, 1780; m. Artemas Beard; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d. Oct. 31, 1805.

[42.] BAKER, GEORGE³, another s. of Robert and Elizabeth, came to W. ab. 1775, prob. with his f., the two names appearing simultaneously in the tax lists. He also set. permanently in the part set off to Gr. He prob. m. (1) Mary Pratt of Framingham, who seems to have d. s. p., and (2) Dinah, dau. of Joshua and Perces Parmenter of the same tn. She descended



from John¹ Parmenter, one of the first set. of Sudbury by the following line:—John², George³, Amos⁴, Phineas⁵, Amos⁶, Joshua⁷. The date of the d. of George and Dinah has not been ascertained. Chn. so far as found:

- 53. ARTEMAS⁴, b. Aug. 6, 1777; m. Sarah Nichols; res. Hub.; 11 chn.
- 54. PERCES⁴, b. June 3, 1783; m. Jona. Butterfield; res. Peru, Vt.
- 55. GEORGE A.⁴, b. Oct. 5, 1787; m. Olive Holden; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; d. 1861.
- 56. NANCY⁴, b. July 7, 1789; d. Aug. 12, 1791.
- 57. DINAH⁴, b. April 16, 1791; m. Eber Underwood; res. W. [22, 1870.
- 58. AMOS⁴, b. July 23, 1794; m. 3 times; res. Whitefield, N. H.; 9 chn.; d. Aug.

[43.] BAKER, NATHAN³, youngest s. of Robert and Elizabeth, m. Mary —, ab. 1773 and set. in Fram., where the two covenanted with the chh. April 3, 1774. They afterwards res. in Northboro', whence they came to W. bef. 1790, where they, with several chn., were warned out of tn. Nov. 3, 1803, he bought of John Damon lot No. 82, 3d Div., bounded on Hub. line (the late James Sawin, Jr., place). There he built a ho. and res. till his decease, May 26, 1834, at the a. of 81. Mary, his w., d. Sept. 20, 1830, a. 80. Chn.:

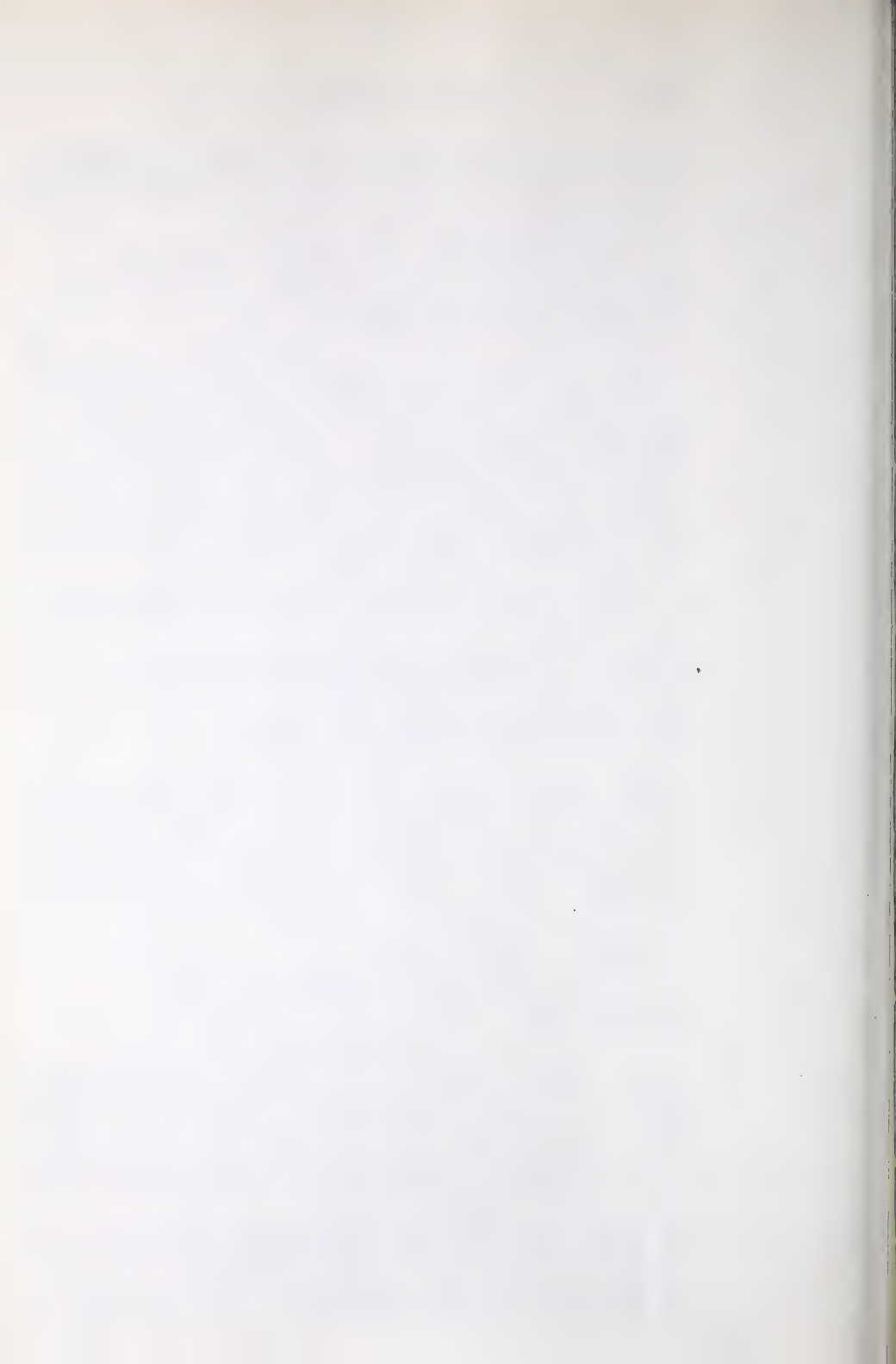
- 59. MARTIN⁴, bap. April 24, 1774; m. Debby Smith and Lydia Martin; res. W.
- 60. DANIEL⁴, b. Nov. 27, 1777; m. Lydia Miller; res. Kingsbury, Vt.; 6 chn.; d. 1871.(?)
- 61. NATHAN⁴, b. 1783(?); m. Sally Miles; res. W.
- 62. ANN⁴, b. Feb. 1, 1786; m. Solomon Rolph; res. Hub.; 13 chn.
- 63. ELMER⁴, b. 1788(?); m. twice; res. W.
- 64. LEWIS⁴; m. — Batchelor; res. unknown.
- 65. POLLY⁴; m. Lemuel Hunting; res. Temp.; 5(?) chn.
- 66. LOUISA⁴; m. Elbridge Holden; res. Gr.; 1 chd.
- 67. HOLLIS⁴, b. 1797; d. unm. Sept. 22, 1837, a. 40.

[59.] BAKER, MARTIN⁴, s. of the last, was pub. (1) to Deborah Smith, Pn., June 25, 1803, and (2) to Lydia Martin, June 23, 1811. He res. awhile on the so-called Darby place (see A. H. No. 31), near where Eugene Gates now lives, and elsewhere about tn. The rec. of this fam. are very imperfect, few dates of any kind having been fld. Chn.:

- 68. LAVINA⁵; m. Orange Young; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. May 15, 1846.
- 69. POLLY⁵; m. twice; res. W.; 6 chn.
- 70. ELVIRA⁵; m. Orison Gage; res. Gr.; 3 chn.
- 71. LOUISA E.⁵; m. twice; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. March 22, 1887.
- 72. LYDIA⁵; m. James H. Eames; res. Buffalo; no report.
- 73. IRA⁵; d. young.
- 74. MARTIN A.⁵, b. Jan. 8, 1827; m. Martha Tucker; res. W.

[61.] BAKER, NATHAN⁴, bro. of the last, was pub. to Sally, dau. Dea. Stephen and Sally (Hoar) Miles, Sept. 11, 1808. They m. and l. on the Noah Miles place, now owned by Mrs. Julia A. Foster and s. He d. Aug. 27, 1821, a. 38. His w., Sally, was insane for many yrs. bef. her decease, which occurred Oct. 15, 1857, at the a. of 70. Chn.:

- 75. CYNTHIA⁵, b. Aug. 22, 1809; m. Josiah Kingsbury; res. Keene, N. H.; no chn.
- 76. MARY⁵, b. Jan. 15, 1811; m. E. R. Carter; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
- 77. STEPHEN M.⁵, b. June 21, 1813; went to New Orleans, La.
- 78. SALLY⁵, b. April 25, 1815; m. Josiah Kingsbury; res. Keene; no chn.
- 79. WILLIAM⁵, b. May 20, 1817; unm.; living.
- 80. JOSEPH⁵, b. Dec. 20, 1819; m. Nancy M. Fellows; res. Boston; 1 chd.; d.



[63.] BAKER, ELMER⁴, of the same fam., m. (1) Lucinda Parker prob. in 1814, who d. in ab. a yr., leaving a s. He then m. (2) Lucinda, dau. Thomas Conant, to whom he was pub. Oct. 29, 1815. He l. for some yrs. in Pn., where most of his chn. were b., but subsequently ret. to W., res. at the Narrows. He d. March 31, 1852, a. 64; his wid. d. June 2, 1862, a. 68. Chn.:

81. WARREN⁵, b. Jan. 5, 1815; m. twice; res. Vt.; 7 chn.; d. at Worc.
82. A. BRADFORD⁵, b. Dec., 1818; m. Eliza Ward; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. July 13, 1863.
83. LUCINDA⁵, b. April 30, 1822; m. Joel S. Burpee; res. W.; 6 chn.; living.
84. LUCRETIA⁵, b. Jan. 7, 1824; m. Charles Warner; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. 1856.
85. ELMER⁵, b. March 16, 1826; m. three times; res. W.
86. NATHAN⁵, b. Nov. 22, 1829; m. Eliza E. Burnap; res. W.
87. HANNAH⁵, b. Dec. 7, 1831; m. Wm. Nichols; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
88. ASAPH⁵, b. 1833; m. Harriet S. Farwell; res. Marl. b.; 4 chn.; d.
89. LEVI⁵, b. Jan. 12, 1837; m. Alice Foskett; res. W.; 6 chn.; living.

[74.] BAKER, MARTIN A.⁵, s. of Martin and Lydia, m. Dec. 23, 1852, Martha E., dau. Josiah and Martha S. Tucker, and l. for some yrs. in Gr. He then rem. to W., where he still res.; a mechanic. His w. d. July 25, 1890. Chn.:

90. ALBERT A.⁶, b. Aug. 18, 1854; m. Annie T. Cassidy; res. W.; no chn.
91. LUCY E.⁶, b. Oct. 7, 1857; m. Howard M. Taylor; res. Fram.; 1 chd.
92. EDWARD H.⁶, b. July 9, 1860; m. Lulu W. Chipman; res. Boston; no chn.
93. FRANCENA E.⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1862; d. May, 1863.
94. ALDEN F.⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1864; m. Lizzie Clark; res. Chelsea; 1 chd.
95. WILLIE G.⁶, b. June 16, 1867; res. W.; unnm.

[85.] BAKER, ELMER⁵, s. of Elmer and Lucinda (Conant), m. (1) Sally, dau. of Joseph and Eunice Perry and wid. of Jason Dunster, June 4, 1851. She d. Sept. 15, 1861, and he m. (2) Kate H., dau. of Jonas and Prudence (Miller) Merriam. She d. May 6, 1879, and he m. (3) wid. Harriet A. Caldwell, dau. of Alonzo and Lydia Mason, Venice, N. Y., April 6, 1880; is a farmer and res. in Wachusettville. Chn.:

96. CORNELIA A.⁶, b. April 16, 1852; d. unnm. Aug. 23, 1875.
97. NANCY A.⁶, b. July 17, 1854; d. Sept. 17, 1858.
98. ELMER W.⁶, b. July 17, 1855; m. Mary J. Rice; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; living.
99. HATTIE J.⁶, b. Sept. 17, 1860; d. March 1, 1861.
100. FREDDIE E.⁶, b. Feb. 12, 1866; d. Feb. 27, 1866.
101. LIZZIE E.⁶, b. June 4, 1867; unnm.; res. W.

[86.] BAKER, NATHAN⁵, bro. of the last, m. March 18, 1854, Eliza E. Burnap of Fg. He is a teamster; res. So. W. Chn.:

102. CHARLES F.⁶, b. Oct. 4, 1854; m. Nellie E. Twichell; res. Leom.; no chn.
103. FRED W.⁶, b. April 15, 1857; unnm.; res. W.; d. 1892.
104. HERBERT W.⁶, b. Nov. 2, 1859; m. Nellie R. Carter; res. W.; 3 chn.
105. ADA M.⁶, b. Oct. 3, 1861; m. Frank E. Kelty; res. W.; 1 chd.
106. NELLIE F.⁶, b. Feb. 7, 1863; m. Charles F. Carter; res. W.; 3 chn.
107. GEORGE L.⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1865; m. Gertrude E. Swan; res. Rochester, Vt.; no chn.
108. LESTER C.⁶, b. March 27, 1868; d. Aug. 8, 1869.
109. EMMA G.⁶, b. Aug. 7, 1871; res. Lawrence; unnm.
110. EDGAR W.⁶, b. Oct. 27, 1873; res. W.

[89.] BAKER, LEVI⁵, of the same fam., m. Alice, dau. John Foskett, Sept. 3, 1863. He is a mechanic; res. So. W. Chn.:



- 111. ARTHUR L.⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1864; res. Natick.
- 112. CARRIE A.⁶, b. Oct. 15, 1866; d. Aug. 5, 1869.
- 113. EDITH L.⁶, b. Nov. 9, 1869; m. Charles A. Marriner; res. Natick; 1 chd.
- 114. GERTRUDE E.⁶, b. May 30, 1873.
- 115. THEODORA A.⁶, b. Jan. 15, 1879.
- 116. ANNA E.⁶, b. July 31, 1882.
- 117. AGNES M.⁶, b. March 6, 1890; d. March 9, 1890.

[98] , BAKER, ELMER W.⁶, s. of Elmer and Sally, m. Mary J., dau. Wm. E. Rice, May 30, 1879. They now res. in Leom. Their only chd. was b. W.

118. EVA A.⁷, b. May 6, 1880.

[104.] BAKER, HERBERT W.⁶, s. of Nathan and Eliza, m. Nellie R. Carter, dau. Chas. F., Sept. 7, 1881, and now res. Sterling. Chn., two b. W.:

119. AMY F.⁷, b. Sept. 12, 1882.

120. PRESTON F.⁷, b. Feb. 23, 1885.

121. CHESTER W.⁷

122. BAKER, GEORGE C.⁶, s. of Joseph⁵ (80) and Nancy M. (Fellows), b. Boston, m. Hattie M., dau. Silas W. and Ellen Seaver, Nov. 20, 1887, and res. at So. W.; a mechanic. 1 chd.:

123. FRANK HARRISON⁷, b. Nov. 30, 1888.

124. BAKER, HENRY, b. W. Oct. 22, 1835, m. Ellen L. Noyes of Shrewsbury, July 3, 1855. After res. in S. and elsewhere a few yrs., he located in Fg., where he enl. in Co. H, 4th Regt., H. A., Aug. 20, 1864, serving till June 17, 1865; was in hosp. awhile by reason of ill health. Came to W. in the spring of 1887 and set. on the David B. Barnes place, near the tn. meadows (C. S. Merriam reservoir), where he now res. Chn.:

125. GEORGE HENRY, b. April 29, 1857; d. Sept. 4, 1859.

126. NELLIE L., b. Aug. 25, 1859; m. Alexander Sanderson; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.; 4 chn.

127. WILLIE E., b. April 22, 1862; m. Lizzie G. Parkerson; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.; 1 chd.

128. MINNIE J., b. May 2, 1865; d. Aug. 31, 1865.

129. ETTA L., b. Aug. 3, 1867; m. Alvah W. Crocker; res. Poland, Me.; 3 chn.

130. MARY ANN, b. Sept. 3, 1872.

131. GEORGE HENRY, b. Aug. 1, 1875; d. infancy.

132. LUCIUS A., b. Sept. 16, 1876.

133. IDA MAY, b. Aug. 15, 1878; d. infancy.

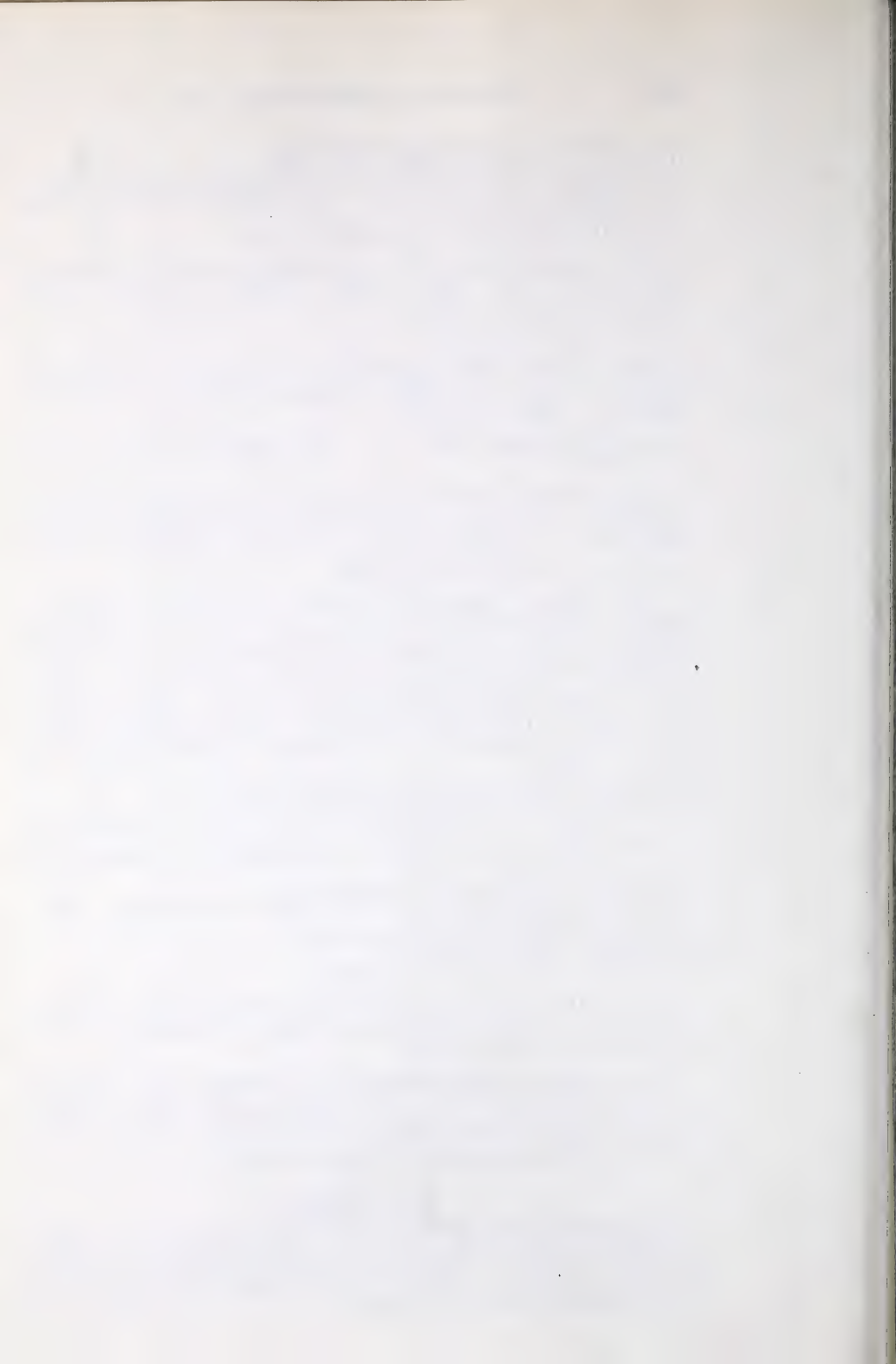
134. BAKER, WILLIS A., from Gr., and w., Julia E., were temporary residents in tn. some yrs. since. They had

135. GEORGE W., b. July 31, 1882.

136. BAKER, AMOS, lineage, etc., untraced, came with his w. from Campton, N. H., at an unknown date, and spent his last yrs. in tn.; no chn. reported. He d. May 7, 1870, at the a. of 76; his w. d. six weeks bef., March 22, a. 81.

BALDWIN.

Henry Baldwin¹ was a resident of Charlestown in 1640, but soon settled in Woburn, where he became a prominent citizen, and the head of a somewhat illustrious family. His son Henry², also of Woburn, had Henry³ who located for a few years in Pelham, N. H., rem. thence to Shrewsbury where he d. The name of his w. is not known.



1. BALDWIN, JOHN⁴, prob. s. of Henry³ of Pelham, bought lot No. 56, the old Raymond place, June 4, 1759, and no doubt built the first ho. and bn. upon it. (See A. H. No 42.) Very likely he also put up the first sawmill on the neighboring lot, No. 119, where the Raymond Mill now stands. He was in tn. but a few yrs., ret. to Pelham ab. 1765. No fam. rep.

2. BALDWIN, WILLIAM⁴, bro. of the last, a housewright by trade, bought the above-mentioned sawmill lot of Daniel Munjoy, Dec. 26, 1768, retaining possession some 5 yrs., when he sold to Thomas Bridgen. He is recorded as having been pub. to Sarah Wood, Feb. 28, 1773, but seems to have m. Anna Child. He was not a long-time resident here. Only 1 chd. rep.:

3. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Oct. 1, 1773.

4. BALDWIN, TILLY⁵, nephew of those named, was s. of Thaddeus and Abigail (Rice), b. Aug. 3, 1784. He came to W. ab. 1809, in which yr. he was first taxed. On the first day of April, 1812, he bought 18 a. of land and buildings of Ezra Holden. It was the homestead now occupied by Jos. T. Marshall. Mr. Baldwin was a saddler by trade, and a public-spirited citizen, holding, while here, the offices of Collector and Deputy Sheriff. He rem. hence to Phillipston, where he spent the rest of his life. Soon after locating in W. he m. Rebecca, dau. of Stephen and Hannah (Wood) Hoar (pub. Sept. 6, 1812), by whom he had 6 chn. His w. d. at Phillipston, Jan. 9, 1827, and he m. (2) Nabby, wid. of Stephen Earle, Nov. 17, 1828. No issue of this union rep. He died in Jan., 1844, a. 59. His chn., most of whom were b. in W., were:

5. JOSEPH HOLDEN⁶, b. April 28, 1814; res. Savannah, Ga.

6. LOUISE D.⁶, b. July 11, 1816; res. Pittsfield.

7. LOAMMI⁶, b. May 23, 1819; drowned in Cal. June 17, 1851.

8. ANN R.⁶, b. April 11, 1821; d. June 9, 1822.

9. CHARLES H.⁶, b. April 30, 1823; res. Philadelphia.

10. DANIEL HOAR⁶, b. March 19, 1825; res. Savannah, Ga.

II. BALDWIN, WILLIAM. In some of the earlier pages of this work frequent mention is made of one William Baldwin, who rendered himself conspicuous in the case of Rev. Elisha Marsh. No trace of his lineage has been found, and his birth-place and date are unknown. He came from Newton as early as 1742, set. first on lot No. 14 (see A. H. No. 66), and afterwards on No. 57 (see A. H. No. 80). He was a housewright by trade, active in chh. affairs, and a leader of the opposition to the minister of his day on both doctrinal and personal grounds, as the rec. show. He m., bef. coming here, Dec. 17, 1741, Elizabeth, dau. of Noah Wiswall, a prominent citizen of Newton, by whom he had sev. chn. in this tn. and others afterward. He d. in 1757. His W. chn., as recorded, were:

12. ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 17, 1742.

13. WILLIAM, b. March 1, 1744.

14. ANNA, b. Nov. 8, 1745.



15. BALDWIN, JOSIAH, b., ptge, etc., unknown, m. Susannah, dau. of Dr. Israel Green, ab. 1764, and was a tax-paying res. as late as 1779. Where he l. has not been learned, as he seems to have owned no real estate. Whence he came and whither he went are also unascertained. While here he had 1 chd.:

16. SUSANNAH, b. May 29, 1765; m. James Cowee, Jr.; res. W. and Gr.; 15 chn.

1. BALL, CALEB, ptge., etc., unknown, was in tn. ab. the time of its incorporation, and was taxed awhile afterward. Presumably an old man or very poor. Had a w., both being warned out lest they become a public charge.

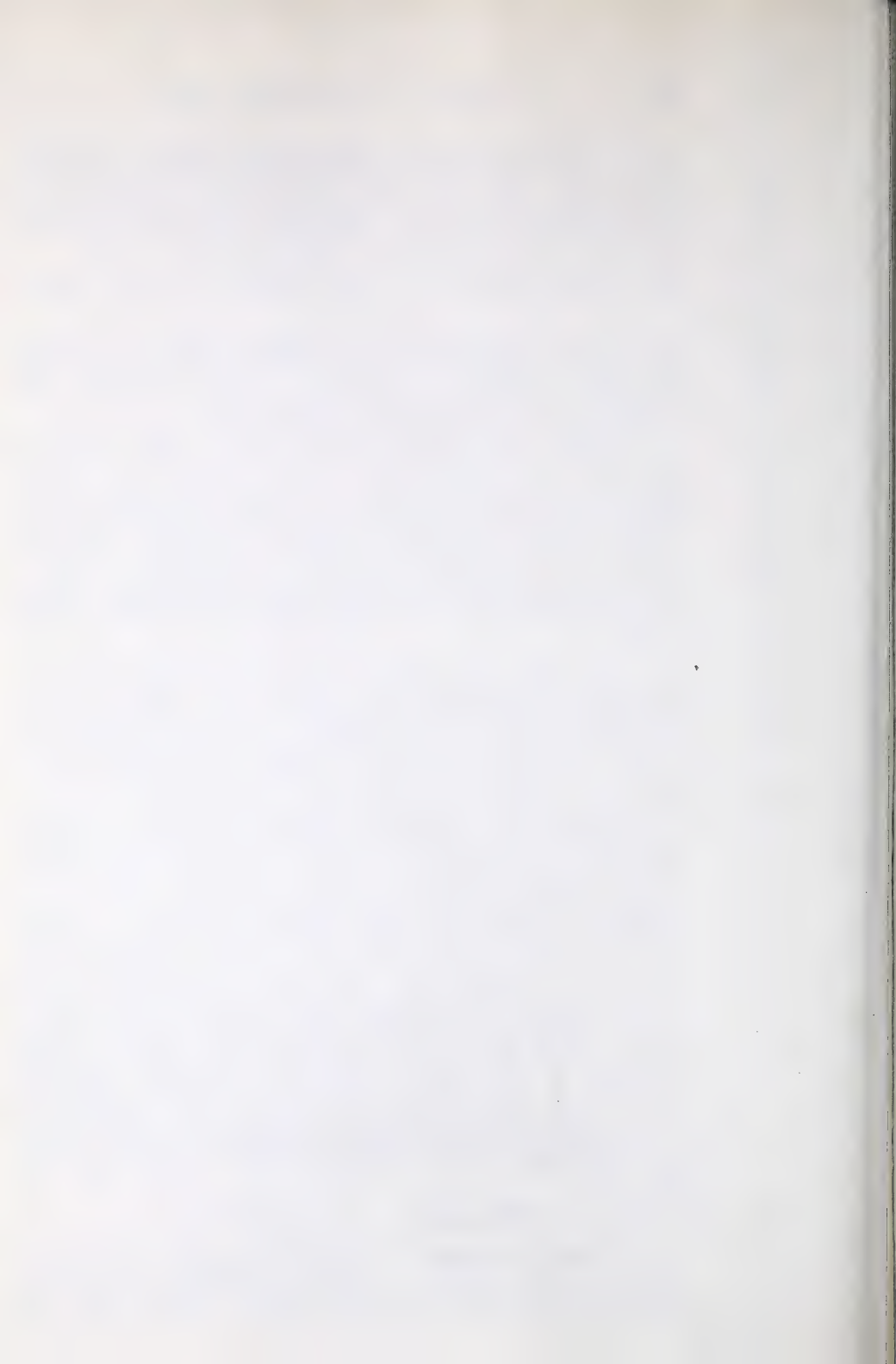
2. BALL, JOHN, lineage untraced, b. Dec., 1748. He was a Rev. pensioner, coming to tn. bef. 1791, when he was warned out. Dec. 23, 1805, he bought of Daniel Foskett a small lot of land with ho. upon it, built by Joel Foskett, bro. of Daniel, now the res. of Jos. Waterhouse, and there he spent his remaining days. He l. by himself, having no w. He was an eccentric character, half insane perhaps, dressing quaintly, and being a terror to the chn. in the neighborhood. He d. Feb. 25, 1838, a. 89.

1. BARBER, REV. JOSEPH⁷, was s. of Cyrus⁶ and Patty (Smith) Barber of Medway, b. July 19, 1831. His descent as indicated was from George Barber, "a decided Puritan," b. Eng. in 1615, who came to this country ab. 1635, located for a time at Dedham, but set. finally in Medfield, of which tn. he was one of the original proprietors. There, and in the tn. of Medway, which was taken mostly from Medfield, the several generations succeeding him, as follows:—Zachariah², Joseph³, Joseph⁴, Joseph⁵, Cyrus⁶,—have res. to this day. Joseph⁷ was largely dependent on his own efforts for an education, but by diligence and self-denial under the inspiration of an earnest religious purpose, he prepared himself for the Christian ministry, and was ordained at Brewster, Dec. 5, 1861, becoming pastor of the Baptist Chh. there. He subsequently preached at No. Uxbridge, Southington, Conn., Bolton, and W. Bridge-water, whence he rem. to W. in 1876, taking charge, as noted elsewhere, of the Baptist Church, and enjoying a successful pastorate of 7 yrs. He went hence to Caryville, where he res. in 1886. He m. (1), Feb. 13, 1861, Julia A. Putnam, by whom he had 1 dau., and (2), Nov. 27, 1870, A. Sophia Felton, who bore him another. These, so far as learned, were his only chn.:

2. MARTHA P., b. July 9, 1864.

3. ESTELLA, b. Oct. 29, 1874.

4. BARBER, STEPHEN, untraced, was partner with David Wyman in the business of fulling and finishing cloth for a time in the latter part of the last century. Notice of the dis-



solution of the company, in *Mass. Spy*, Aug. 8, 1798. Nothing further known.

5. BARBER, WILLIAM H., s. of Cyrus and Clara of Richmond, N. H., was b. June 8, 1844. He came to tn. ab. 1870 and m., April 1, 1871, Susan M., dau. of George and Mary (Parker) Raymond. He is a chairmaker and res. at So. W. Chn.:

6. CHARLES F., b. April 14, 1872.

7. FRED., b. June 12, 1875; d. Sept., 1875.

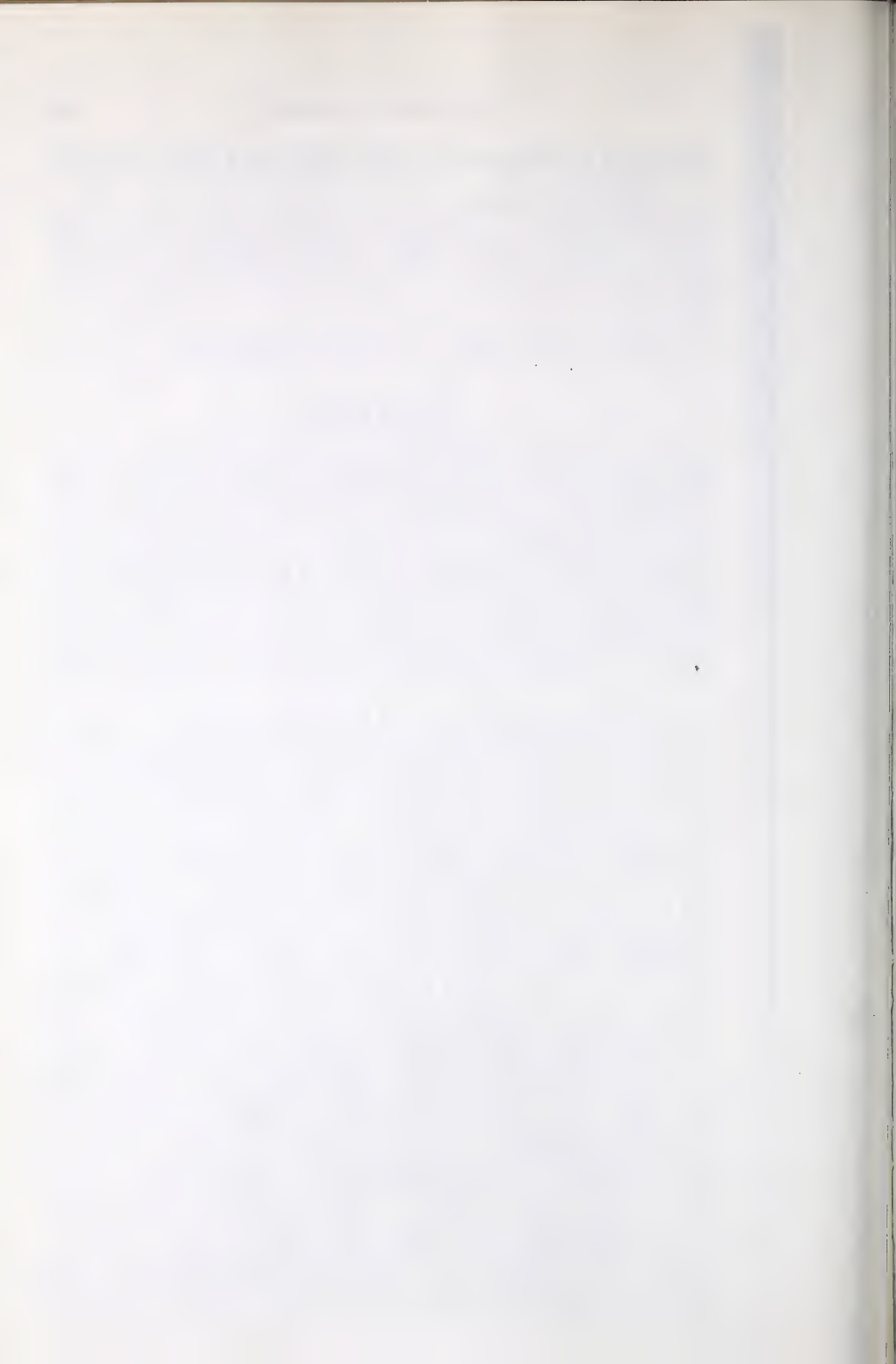
8. SADIE A., b. May 20, 1886.

9. ADA E., b. June 7, 1889.

BARNARD.

On the 10th of April, 1634, John Barnard¹, then 30 years old, his w., Phebe, aged 27, and two chn., John² and Samuel², embarked from Ipswich, Eng., and, coming to this country, settled at Watertown. He was made freeman the following year, and in 1646 was elected Selectman. His oldest son, John², m. Sarah Fleming. Of this union was b. John³, who had John⁴, the father of Jonathan⁵, b. May 30, 1703. These several generations resided in Watertown, and are understood to have ranked among its most substantial, capable, worthy, and influential citizens. The last named, Jonathan⁵, at the first division of lands in Nar. No. 2, seems to have drawn lot No. 64, the present Hollis Bolton place, on the right of James Lowden of Charlestown. He had already, Oct. 11, 1733, m. Hannah Stowell, of which union several chn. were b., three of them becoming residents of W. The oldest of them was

I. BARNARD, EDMUND⁶, b. in 1743 (bapt. July 3d). He first came to W. and was taxed in 1767. When 30 yrs. of age, Nov. 25, 1773, he m. Elizabeth, dau. of Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden. He had previously cleared and built a dwelling house upon his f.'s lot referred to above. He proved to be one of the most enterprising, public-spirited, and active men in the tn., possessing more than average intellectual ability, executive power, and force of character, which gave him a reputation and an influence extending far and wide throughout this section of country. He was the virtual founder of Wachusettville. Forming a copartnership with his neighbor, Isaac Williams, the two built the first iron works there and carried on business for some yrs. Disposing of his interest at that point, he erected a similar establishment on the stream flowing out of W. Pond, nearly opposite the Harrington (Lufkin) place, which he operated apparently till his health gave way. He also, in connection with these activities, cleared up and improved his large farm, one of the best in tn., where proofs of his industry and skill still remain. He was appointed agent of the Provincial Government to manage and dispose of the effects of John Bowen, who owned and res. at what is now Everettville, and who, as a sympathizer with the mother country at the opening of the Revolutionary War, had fled from his home and been declared an "Absentee," his property being confiscated for the benefit of the patriot cause. The personal est. was sold July 8, 1779; the real, Nov 20th of the same yr. Mr. Barnard d. in



the midst of his yrs. and usefulness, Feb. 1, 1804, a. 60. His wid. subsequently m. (2) Jeremiah Ballard of Lanc. (pub. Dec. 8, 1810), where she res. awhile, but, the union proving uncongenial, she returned to W. to spend the remainder of her days, passing away Dec. 6, 1844, a. almost 88. She was one of the excellent women of her time. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH⁷, b. Waltham, June 22, 1776; d. Aug. 8, 1776.
3. HANNAH⁷, b. W., Aug. 30, 1777; d. Oct. 6, 1778.
4. HANNAH⁷, b. W., Aug. 21, 1780; m. John Hoar; d. June 5, 1803.
5. ELIZABETH⁷, b. W., Jan. 14, 1783; unm; d. June 13, 1803.
6. MARY⁷, b. W., Dec. 29, 1788; m. H. G. Buttrick; d. Feb. 18, 1874.
7. EDMUND⁷, b. W., Nov. 13, 1797; m. Maria Sampson; res. Phila.; d. 1882.

8. BARNARD, BENJAMIN⁶, bro. of the last, was b. Waltham, March 4, 1749-50. He first appears in W. 1773, coming prob. to work for Edmund. Jan. 6, 1774, he m. Lucy, dau. of Nathan and Rebecca (Haines) Wood. He set. on a 3d Div. lot No. 31, formerly the Ivers Brooks place, which his f. drew on right of home lot No. 64. He disposed of his farm ab. 1790 and located in Peru, Vt., the fifth fam. in the place. He d. there in 1837, a. 87; his w. d. 1849, a. 97. Both were of high character and genuine piety. Their chn. were:

9. LOVISA⁷, b. June 3, 1774; m. Leonard Weed; res. Oswego, N. Y.; 5 chn.
10. JOSIAH⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1778; m. Hannah Byam; res. Peru and West; 6 chn.
11. LUCY⁷, b. Nov. 4, 1780; m. Gen. and Gov. Peter Dudley; res. Peru, Vt.; 11 chn.
12. BENJAMIN⁷, b. March 23, 1783; m. Hepzibeh Philbrick; res. Peru, Vt.; 7 chn..
13. HANNAH⁷, b. April 23, 1787; m. Jonathan Dudley; res. Andover, Vt.
14. STOWELL⁷, b. April 4, 1789; m. Mary Burton; res. Peru, Vt.; 8 chn.
15. JOSEPH⁷, b. Peru, Vt.; m. Lucinda Bennett; res. Penn. and South.
16. NANCY⁷, b. Peru, Vt.; m. John Batcheller; res. Peru, Vt.

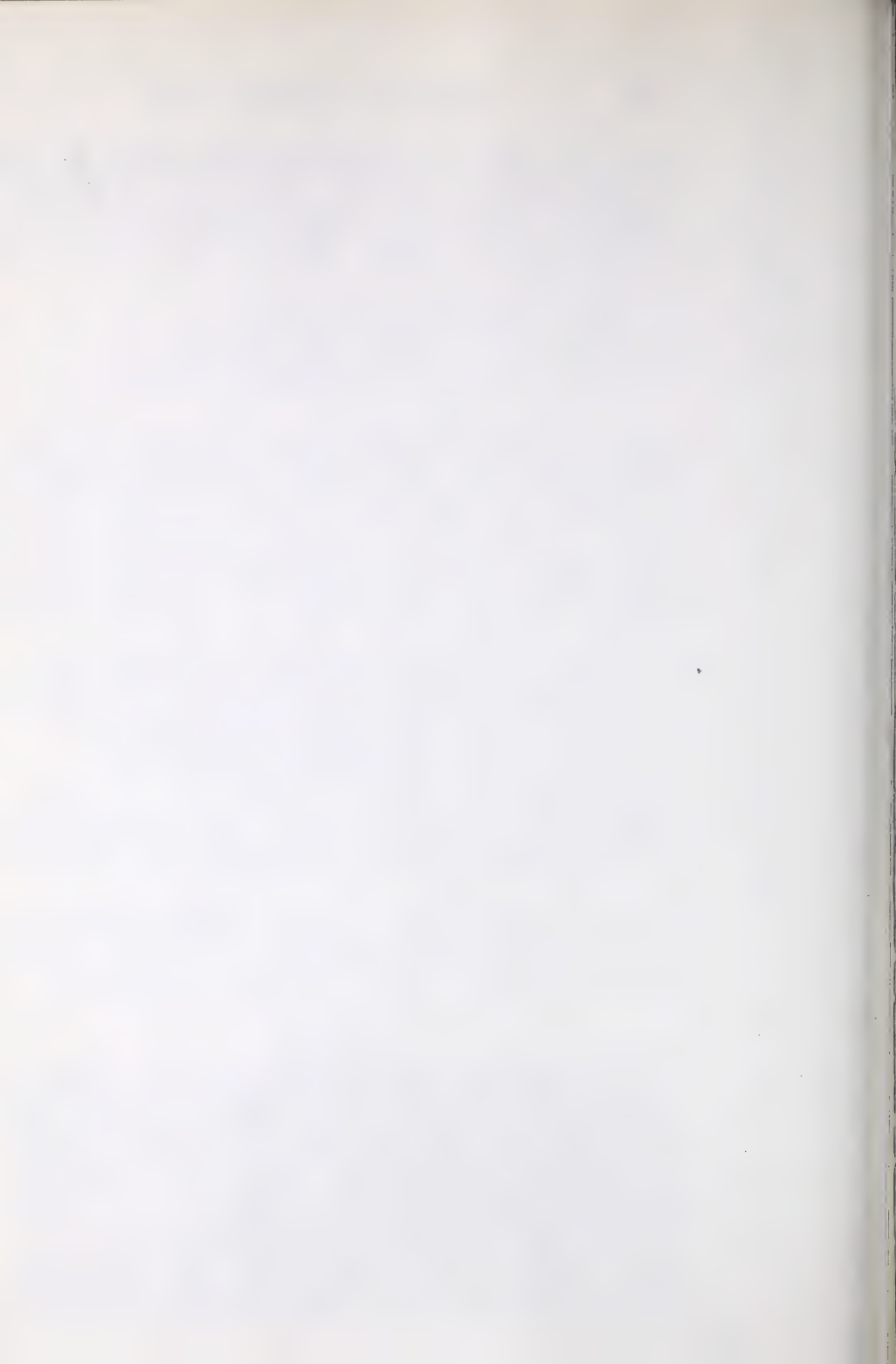
Joseph Barnard (15), the youngest s. of this family, a res. at the South when the Rebellion broke out, being a loyal friend of the Union and an out-spoken opponent of slavery, was seized by the myrmidons of treason and cast into prison. By reason of neglect and ill treatment his health gave way and he d. while yet incarcerated, a sacrifice on the altar of his country's liberties.

17. BARNARD, NATHAN, bro. of those already named, was joint owner with Benjamin of the est. occupied by the latter, and very likely res. with him awhile, ab. the yr. 1779. He was afterward a citizen of Leom. No account of any fam. here.

BARNES.

The first of this name (sometimes spelled *Barns*) in this country was Thomas¹, who came over in the "Speedwell" during the spring of 1656. Where he first located is not known, but he m. five yrs. later, Abigail Goodnow, dau. of Thomas, of Sudbury, and in 1663 bought lands in Marlboro', upon which he set., dying in 1679. His s. Thomas² also res. in M., his ho. and furniture being burned by the Indians, March 20, 1676, in the war with King Philip. In 1691 he received a grant of land in Brookfield, and his last days were spent in that town. He d. April 23, 1734, having been fatally gored by a bull. His w. was Mary How, of Sudbury, who d. Feb. 14, 1719.

Samuel Barnes³, s. of Thomas², was an honored citizen of B., holding the office of Treasurer at his d., in 1733. By his w., Mercy Gilbert, he had Moses⁴, b. March 27, 1714, who m. Hannah Old, of whom was b., Nov. 17, 1744, Jesse⁵, the 6th of 14 chn. Jesse⁵, by his w., Patience Gilbert, was f. of



Adonijah⁶, b. Oct. 12, 1772, and several other chn. Ab. 1780 he rem. to Hardwick where he d. Aug. 21, 1841. His s., Adonijah⁷, m. Chloe Knights, and res. in H.

1. BARNES, ADONIJAH⁸, s. of the last named, was b. in Hardwick, Feb. 28, 1804. In his early manhood he migrated to W. Cambridge, where he worked at carpentering and where, after m., Oct. 3, 1827, Theodosia, dau. of Jonathan and Betsey Knox, he set. In April, 1849, he came to W. and purchased the original John Edgell farm, recently owned by Robert McTaggart, on Bean Porridge Hill, and there he res. for many yrs. On the 19th of April, 1872, Mrs. B. was thrown from a carriage in Hub., receiving injuries resulting in death at the a. of 69. Mr. B. subsequently rem. to Fg., where he d. Jan. 11, 1888, a. 83. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH⁹, b. July 8, 1828; m. J. L. Walton; res. Fg.; living.
3. LOUISA⁹, b. Oct. 23, 1830; m. B. S. Mason; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.
4. SARAH⁹, b. Oct. 3, 1832; m. Joseph Phelps; res. Newton; 4 chn.; living.
5. HARRIET⁹, b. Jan. 24, 1834; m. Charles Mason; res. Worc.; 8 chn.; living.
6. CHARLES⁹, b. Aug. 26, 1836; m. Mary E. Gilbert; res. N. Braintree; 2 chn.; l.
7. WILLARD⁹, b. Aug. 28, 1838; m. Abby E. Perkins; res. Standish, Me.; 3 chn.; l.
8. ELLEN T.⁹, b. May 3, 1844; d. unm. Jan. 13, 1867, at Gr.
9. GEORGE W.⁹, b. May 21, 1846; d. Aug. 6, 1870, unm., at W.

10. BARNES, FRANCIS, from Acton, ptge., etc., unknown, with w., Lydia, and no chn., was warned out of tn. in 1791. He was only a transient resident here and left no trace of himself for the historian or genealogist.

11. BARNES, FRANCIS, b. prob. in Marlboro' ab. 1753, ptge. unknown. He was no doubt a descendant of Thomas Barnes, the immigrant mentioned above, but diligent and painstaking efforts to find the connecting links have proved unavailing. He m. Hannah Savage, and, after l. consecutively at Marlboro', Westboro', No-town, and Fg., at each of which places one or more chn. were b., he came to W. in 1791 or 1792, being first taxed here the latter yr. Oct. 3, 1796, he bought of Joseph Sawtell, Groton, 1 a. of land on which was a ho. and shoeshop, a corner of lot 73, 2d Div., between No. Common and Scrabble Hollow, which was his subsequent home. He was a very large man, physically, and well proportioned. His chn. possessed unusual musical talent, and some of them became noted for their proficiency in playing different kinds of musical instruments. He d. Aug. 30, 1813, a. 60, and his wid. m. Ebenezer Bolton of Gr. for a second husb. After the latter's decease in 1835, she ret. to W. to spend her remaining days with her chn., passing away, finally, July 4, 1849, at the a. of 95. Chn.:

12. EPHRAIM, b. Oct. 13, 1775; d. infancy.
13. BETSEY, b. July 3, 1777; m. Samuel Davis; res. Montpelier, Vt.; 6 chn.
14. EPHRAIM, b. April 4, 1779; m. Ruth M. Taylor(?); res. Randolph, Vt.; sev. chn.
15. LYDIA, b. Jan. 11, 1781; m. David Maynard, Jr.; res. Vermont; sev. chn.
16. SUKEY, b. July 19, 1783; m. Silas Barnes.
17. LOREY, b. June 1, 1787; m. Elizabeth Whitney; res. W. and Troy, N. Y.; sev. chn.; d. Aug. 15, 1825.
18. SEWALL, b. Oct. 11, 1790; m. Polly Bond; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Feb. 24, 1864.



19. SULLIVAN, b. March 27, 1793; m. Lydia Hoar; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 16, 1826.

20. SAMUEL, b. July 29, 1796; m. Sally Hall; res. W. and Fg.; 5 chn.

[17.] BARNES, LOREY, s. of the last, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Abner and Levinah (Glazier) Whitney, Dec. 1, 1808. He res. for a time on lot No. 79, 2d Div., half a mile N. of ho. of late S. N. Barnes. (See A. H. No. 24.) Finally went to Troy, N. Y., where he d. Aug. 15, 1825. He is understood to have had sev. chn., but their names, dates of b., etc., have not been fd. in the rec. or otherwise brought to the writer's knowledge.

[18.] BARNES, SEWALL, bro. of the last, m. Mary (Polly), dau. of Thaddeus and Rebecca Bond, pub. Aug. 8, 1807. After res. elsewhere some yrs., he set. permanently on the Ezra Holden (late J. R. Bruce) place, near the head of the tn. meadows. A worthy townsman and Dea. of the First Cong. Chh. 1842-60. He d. Feb. 24, 1864, a. 73; his w. d. Jan. 3, 1862, a. 64. Chn.:

21. DAVID B., b. July 24, 1818; m. Mary M. Heywood; res. W.

22. SUSAN M., b. March 13, 1822; m. James B. Wood; res. W.

23. SEWALL, b. July 7, 1824; d. Aug. 26, 1846.

24. Unnamed; d. April 29, 1828.

25. MERRICK, b. Aug. 31, 1834; m. Harriet E. Harris; res. W.

[19.] BARNES, SULLIVAN, bro. of the last two, m. Lydia, dau. of Timothy and Lydia (Hunt) Hoar, in 1817, and res. at the place now occupied by H. S. Howard on the old turnpike, the ho. upon which he prob. built. After his d., Aug. 15, 1826, his wid. m. (2) Edward W. Kendall, who succeeded to the old homestead. She d. Feb. 18, 1873, a. 77. Chn.:

26. CHARLES, b. June 6, 1818; m. and res. Wilbraham.

27. MARY, b. Jan. 15, 1821; m. Amos M. Cutler; res. W.; 2 chn.

28. LEONARD H., b. July 16, 1822; m. and set. Webster; 1 chd.

29. FRANKLIN, b. Aug. 15, 1825; m. and res. No. Oxford; 3 chn.

[20.] BARNES, SAMUEL, another bro., m. Sally, dau. of Elisha and Sally (Bemis) Hall, in 1818, and after res. in tn. a few yrs. rem. to Fg., where most of his life was spent. He d. however in W., Feb. 14, 1862, a. 65. Had 5 chn., two of whom only were natives of W.:

30. SAMUEL SUMNER, b. Sept. 8, 1818; set. Worc.; 1 chd.

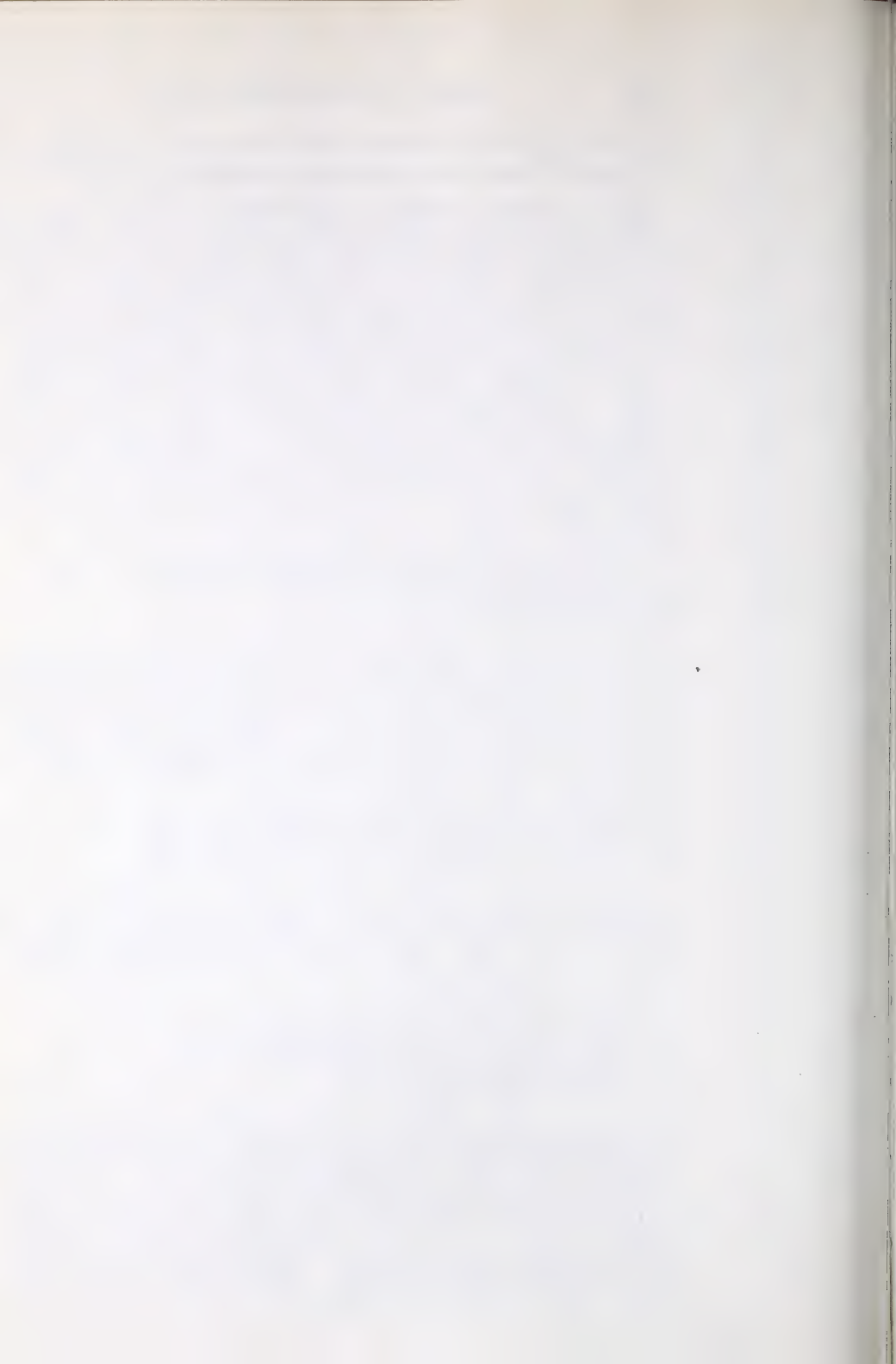
31. FLAVEL HOLDEN, b. March 1, 1823; set. Worc.; 2 chn.

32. WILLIAM, b. Fg.; res. Worc. where s. Alfred now lives.

33. ALONZO, b. Fg.; d. in early manhood.

34. MELISSA, b. Fg.; d. young.

[21.] BARNES, DAVID B., s. of Dea. Sewall and Mary (Bond) Barnes, m. Mary M., dau. of James and Mary (Miller) Heywood (pub. Oct. 27th) 1838. He built the ho. near his f.'s dwelling, now occupied by Henry Baker on the Fg. road, and made chairs in the shop a few rods above. His life was brief, terminating April 12, 1846, at the a. of 27. His wid. m. (2) Seth B. Hall, Fg., where she subsequently res. Date of her d., Jan. 5, 1858, a. 38. Chn. of David B. and Mary M.:



35. HENRY, b. Dec. 25, 1839; d. Nov. 3, 1842.
 36. JAMES H., b. Oct. 1, 1842; m. Helen L. Emerson; res. Vineland, N. J.
 37. GEORGE M., b. April 4, 1844; d. Sept. 4, 1849.
 38. DAVID B., b. April 6, 1846; m. L. H. Raymond; res. W.

[25.] BARNES, MERRICK, bro. of the last, m., Dec. 13, 1853, Harriet E., dau. of George and Louisa (Hoar) Harris; res. in W. He d. Oct. 13, 1868, a. 34. Only 4 chn. are noted in the rec. as follows:

39. Unnamed infant, b. July 1, 1857, } twins; d. early.
 40. Unnamed infant, b. July 1, 1857, }
 41. STELLA LOUISA, b. Sept. 23, 1858. 42. FLORENCE EMMA, b. Aug. 14, 1861.

[38.] BARNES, DAVID B., s. of David B. and Mary M., m., Nov. 24, 1868, L. Hattie, dau. of Milton and Nancy (Barrett) Raymond, and set. in tn. He is a baker by trade and res. in the central village. His w., L. Hattie, d. March 29, 1891, a. 44. Chn.:

43. MARY L., b. Nov. 16, 1869.
 44. JENNIE M., b. Dec. 15, 1874; d. May 30, 1880.
 45. HENRY H., b. March 8, 1876.

46. BARNES, SILAS, was s. of Richard of Marlboro', a bro. of Francis (11) bef. named. He m. his cousin, Sukey (16), and l. in a ho. erected by himself on the cross rd. leading from old red sc. ho. site to Curtis place, and elsewhere ab. tn. and in Gr. He d. at date unkn.; his wid. d. July 5, 1863, a. 80. They had 4 chn.:

47. SEWALL P., b. Oct. 6, 1807.
 48. S. NEWELL, b. Dec. 18, 1813; m. Sally Brooks; res. W.
 49. JOHN B., b. May 17, 1817; d. Aug. 23, 1818.
 50. SABRA A., b. July 27, 1822; m. Dea. Amos Breck; res. Sterling; no chn.; living.

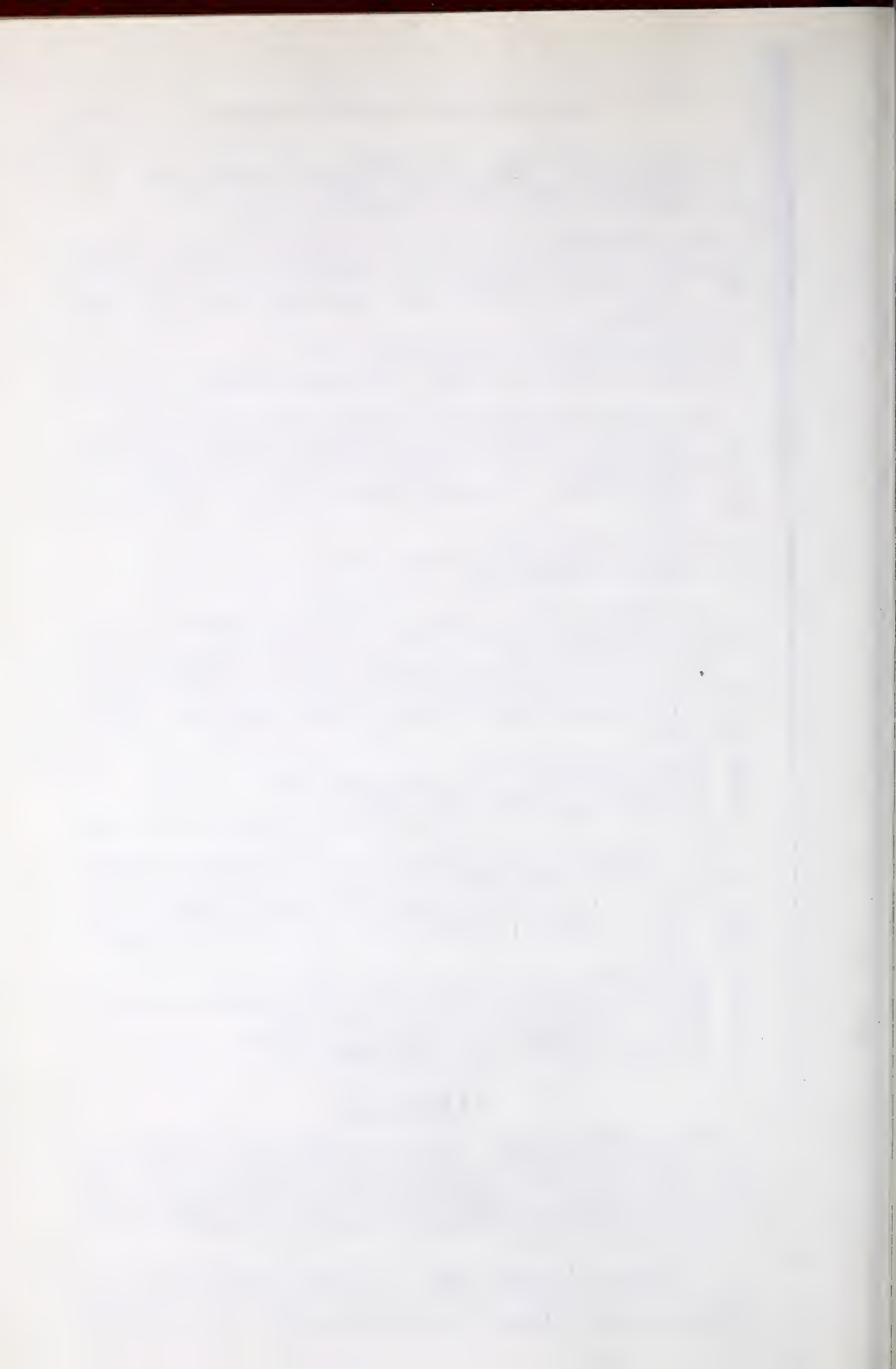
[48.] BARNES, SAMUEL NEWELL, s. of the last, m. Sarah, dau. of Asa and Sallie (Bulow) Brooks, and set. in a ho. built by himself on the old No. turnpike near the so-called Brooks Mill. He d. March 18, 1889, a. 75; his w. d. Nov. 3, 1877, a. 65. Chn.:

51. A. N. ALLEN, b. May, 14, 1837; res. at Worc.; unm.
 52. GEO. W. E., b. Feb. 28, 1841; m. Sarah M. Kendall; res. Worc.; no chn.; l.
 53. MARY L. E., b. May 9, 1845; d., unm. March 23, 1891.
 54. JOHN W. C., b. Aug. 9, 1847; m., and res. Clinton; living.
 55. CHARLES A., b. Aug. 11, 1855; d. unm. March 20, 1891.

BARRELL.

Three bros., Wm.¹, George¹, and John Barrell¹, came to N. E. in 1636, and set. in Boston and vicinity. Wm.¹ d. in 1639, leaving a s. Wm.², who, going to Scituate, m. wid. Lydia James, and set. at her home in S. W. part of the town, now Norwell. He had a s. Wm.³, b. 1683, whose s. James⁴, b. 1727, m. Deborah Bowker, from which union, as is sup., came the older branch of the family represented in W.

I. BARRELL, LUTHER⁵, sup. s. of the last named, came to tn. ab. 1803 and purchased part of lot No. 80, 2d Div., of John Maynard, with buildings and improvements. It was located



on Co. rd. to Ash. near the tn. line directly N. W. of farm lately owned by Albert Smith. (See A. H. No. 18.) He m. Abigail, dau. of Moses and Lydia (Leavitt) Humphrey of Hingham, and had 6 chn. He d. of apoplexy in 1806; his wid. d. March 23, 1853. Chn.:

2. LUTHER⁶, b. Nov. 14, 1792; m. Nancy Sampson; res. W.
3. ABIGAIL⁶; m. Abram Stone; res. Gr.; 5 chn.
4. NELSON⁶; m. — Jones; nothing further known.
5. FANNIE⁶; m. Joshua B. Burgess; res. W. and Ash.; 5 chn.; d. March 10, 1856.
6. JOHN⁶, b. 1805; m. Caroline Crosby; res. Ash.; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 22, 1841.
7. LYDIA⁶; d. yg.

[2.] BARRELL, LUTHER⁶, s. of the last, b. in Scituate, came to tn. when 10 yrs. of age; he m. Mary, dau. of Oliver and Abigail (Sawin) Sampson, March 23, 1815, and set. on the Stephen Marsh place adjoining that of his f.'s, where he spent his days. He was a worthy and highly esteemed citizen; a devoted Methodist in religion and a lay preacher of ability, serving often in that capacity at home and abroad to the satisfaction and edification of his hearers. He d. Feb. 27, 1854, a. 60. His wid. is l. with her dau. Abbie, in Charlestown. Chn.:

8. LUTHER L.⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1815; m. Sarah A. Cutter; res. St. Louis, Mo.; several chn.
9. NANCY⁷, b. March 18, 1818; m. Danl. R. Kenney; res. Sandwich, N. H.; 1 chd.; d. May 16, 1853.
10. JOSEPH B.⁷, b. Dec. 28, 1822; m. Harriet E. May; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Oct. 21, 1881.
11. ABBY⁷, b. May 30, 1824; m. Albert Forbush; res. W. etc.; 2 chn.
12. MERRILL⁷, b. July 2, 1827; m. Corinda —; living St. Louis; 5 chn.
13. ELMIRA⁷, b. July 3, 1830; m. Joseph Pierce; res. W. and Fg.; 3 chn.; living.
14. JOHN W.⁷, b. Nov. 14, 1832; d. Aug. 4, 1836.
15. CHARLES W.⁷, b. Dec. 25, 1835; m. Abby E. Whitney; 1 chd.; d. Mar. 23, 1865.
16. THEODORE⁷, b. Jan. 17, 1840; m. Mary Brown; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; living.

[10.] BARRELL, JOSEPH BENSON⁷, s. of last, m. Harriet E., dau. of Sumner May of Ash., Nov. 4, 1845, and set. on the Abner Whitney (Borie) place above Scrabble Hollow. He d. Oct. 22, 1881, a. 58. His wid. res. at Ash. Chn.:

17. TYLER⁸, b. May 26, 1847; d. 1848.
18. JOSEPH R.⁸, b. April 13, 1849; m. A. Rosetta Petts; res. Ash.
19. HERMAN⁸, b. April 5, 1851; m. Leorina M. Hill; res. Iowa.
20. FRANK⁸, b. July 26, 1853; m. Nellie Whitney; res. Ash.
21. MINETTA E.⁸, b. Nov. 29, 1855; m. John H. Alcott; res. Waltham; d. July 19, 1882.
22. HATTIE F.⁸, b. March 8, 1857; m. Charles F. Wood; res. Ash.

23. BARRELL, WILLIAM⁶, s. of Wm.⁵ and Rebecca (Wilder) Barrell of Scituate and nephew of Luther⁵ (1), m. Deborah Chittenden (pub. Jan 6, 1802). He came to W. soon after, purchasing, April 15, 1805, lot No. 53, 3d Div., in extreme N. W. part of tn., of Isaac Miller and located upon it. In 1826 he with his est. was set off to Ash., of which tn. he was afterward a res. He d. in Ash. Oct. 5, 1850; his w., May 2, 1848. Chn.:



24. WILLIAM⁶, b. July 7, 1803; d. unm., Ash., Feb. 7, 1850.
25. MARIA⁶, b. Nov. 12, 1804; m. Nathan Wood; res. W. and Ash.; 3 chn.; d. April 8, 1850.
26. NAHUM⁶, b. April 9, 1807; m. Martha A. Hinds; res. W.
27. BETSEY⁶, b. March 6, 1810; d. unm., May 6, 1847.
28. LUCY⁶, b. Jan. 10, 1812; d. April 9, 1814.
29. JAMES⁶, b. June 11, 1817; m. wid. Abbie Smith.

[26.] BARRELL, NAHUM⁶, s. of the last, m. Martha A., dau. of Francis and Persis (Hemenway) Hinds, a native of Greenwich, Mass., Dec. 3, 1835, locating on the Stephen Holden farm in the N. W. part of the tn., the modern buildings upon which, erected by Mr. B., were burned Aug. 30, 1887. (See A. H. No. 17.) He d. in tn. Dec. 30, 1874, a. 67. His wid. is l. Chn.:

30. LUCY⁷, b. Aug. 4, 1840; m. Geo. Dalrymple and H. E. Smith.
31. RUANY⁷, b. Nov. 7, 1842; m. Charles W. Whitney; res. Ash.
32. WILLIAM⁷, b. Oct. 5, 1850; d. April 23, 1864.

I. BARRON, WILLIAM B.³, s. of William² and Cynthia (Met-calf) Barron, was b. Keene, N. H., April 24, 1820. His gd.f., also named William¹, came from Ireland with two bros., and going directly to N. H. set. near the city named. One of the bros. located in Concord (now Carlisle) and had a dau. Elizabeth, who m. Dea. David Whitney of W. William³ m., Oct. 5, 1847, Phebe D., dau. of Aaron and Susannah Estey of Roxbury, N. H., and after res. in Fg. awhile came to W. in 1859, establishing himself near the R. R. station, where he still lives. He is a carpenter and builder by trade, and an intelligent, active, public-spirited citizen. Chn.:

2. CHARLES⁴, b. Sept. 6, 1848; m. Sarah T. Holman; res. So. Gr.; no chn. reported.
3. ALBERT H.⁴, b. Oct. 29, 1850; m. Emma E. Bruce; res. So. Gr.; 1 chd.
4. CLARA M.⁴, b. April 19, 1853; m. Arthur W. Brown; res. So. Gr.; d. Oct. 13, 1879.
5. FLORENCE A.⁴, b. March 3, 1855; m. Edward B. Lynde; res. W.
6. ALDEN R.⁴, b. Aug. 26, 1858; d. Sept. 6, 1860.
7. WILLIS C.⁴, b. Feb. 16, 1867; d. Oct. 21, 1868.
8. CARLOS E.⁴, b. Feb. 11, 1869; a clerk in W.

I. BARTLETT, DANIEL, was s. of Nathaniel and Dorothy (Harwood) Bartlett of Brookfield, b. Dec. 21, 1755. All efforts to trace his lineage have proved unavailing. He studied medicine and came to W. to engage in the practice of his profession, prob. in 1780, being first taxed the following yr. There is quite an incongruity in the authorities respecting his connubial relations. The W. rec. have it that he was pub. to Martha Butler of Lanc. Feb. 16, 1783. Those of the latter tn. make no mention of the matter. The history of Brookfield states that he m. Hannah Woodbury of that place Dec. 11, 1786. This declaration might in no wise conflict with the former, as implying the d. of his first w., except that the W. rec. further say that in 1791 Daniel Bartlett and w., Martha, were warned out of tn., which leads one to infer that the Brookfield History is in error. His w., whoever she was, name not given, d. in 1796, and he m. (2),



according to Pn. rec., wid. Abigail Harrington of that place, Jan. 14, 1797. He was a man of great physical stature and commanding proportions. His practice was not large; but he supplemented it by having a store for the sale of drugs, N. E. rum, and W. I. goods. He d. Dec. 25, 1819, a. 64. His wid., who was insane in her last yrs., d. March 20, 1830. He had no chn. but adopted three of those of his bro. Eli, who had 10, to wit:

2. DOROTHY, b. May 30, 1782; d. unm. W., Nov. 18, 1819, a. 37.
3. LUCY, b. Jan. 14, 1791; d. unm. W., 1807, a. 16.
4. ACHSAH, b. Feb. 25, 1793; m. Oliver Estey; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Jan. 15, 1824.

I. BATES, EMORY, s. of Asa and Azuba, was b. Phillipston Feb. 11, 1804. He was pub. to Mary R., dau. of Asa and Sally (Puffer) Bigelow, July 15, 1828, and having m. her, res. in W. for ab. half a dozen yrs., having charge of the hotel in the central village. He then went back to his native place and spent the remainder of his life in farming. He d. in April, 1881, a. 77; his w., Mary, d. in May, 1886, a. 75. He had a fam. of 12 chn., only 4 of whom were b. in this tn. Of the others, Herbert H., b. 1851, graduated at the State Normal School in Westfield and became a very successful teacher in Royalston, Canton, and Cambridge. He was Supt. of Schools in Canton 1 yr. and for 8 yrs. has been at the head of the Training School for teachers in Camb. The chn. of Emory and Mary R. Bates, natives of W., were:

2. MARY L., b. 1830; m. Warren P. Gibbs; res. Athol, sev. chn.; living.
3. ASA B., b. 1832; m. Sarah Richardson; res. W. and Phn.; sev. chn.; living.
4. SALLIE S., b. 1834.
5. EMORY, b. 1835; d. infancy.

[3.] BATES, ASA B., s. of the last, m. Sarah Richardson, and l. in tn. some time, then rem. to Phillipston, where he still res. While here the following chn. had a place in the rec.:

6. CLARENCE WALTER, b. Jan. 8, 1856.
7. EUNICE ABBY, b. June 11, 1859.
8. JOHN A., b. Aug. 20, 1861.
9. SARAH LIZZIE, b. Sept. 3, 1867.

BATHRICK, STEPHEN, ptge., etc., untraced, m. Martha K., dau. of Samuel and Eunice (Mosman) Garfield, 1833, and res. many yrs. near the S. E. sc. ho., where he carried on the black-smithing business. He was a religious enthusiast, but his zeal was not always according to knowledge. He d. April 21, 1853, a. 81, which would place his b. ab. 1782. Date of d. of w. unkn. No chn.

I. BATTLES, THOMAS WILLARD, s. of Nathan and Sally Battles of Fg. was b. April 16, 1816. He was the oldest of three bros., who set. in this tn. and spent their days here. Their f. was s. of John, who rem. from Scituate to Fg. before the close of the last century, and Hannah, b. Nov. 25, 1796. The ancestry of John has not been ascertained. The subject of this notice m., April 13, 1848, Eliza H., dau. of Maj. Nathan



and Polly (Clark) Raymond, and set. at length on the homestead of his w.'s f., where his s. Alton now res. He d. Oct. 30, 1891, a. 75; his w. d. Dec. 5, 1886, a. 67. Chn.:

2. MERRIAN, b. Mar. 6, 1850; d. Dec. 24, 1853.

3. ALTON, b. Apr. 6, 1853; m. Emma E. Cummings; res. W.

4. LEWIS, b. Feb., 1857.

[3.] BATTLES, ALTON, s. of the last, m. Emma E., dau. of Nathan and Mary Cummings of Lyndeboro', N. H., Dec. 25, 1882, and remains on the est. owned by his f. They have 2 chn.:

5. LULU MARIA, b. July 10, 1884.

6. —, b. Jan. 25, 1888.

7. BATTLES, BENJAMIN F., bro. Thos. W. (1), was b. Fg. Feb. 27, 1819, and has been a citizen of W. for many yrs. The rec., the only available source of information in regard to his fam., state that he m. Aurilla —, by whom he had 4 chn. It is presumed that there were others, but all efforts to ascertain if such were the case have proved fruitless. Only the following have been found:

8. CORA J., b. Feb. 13, 1877.

9. EMMA S., b. Dec. 8, 1878.

10. ALFRED F., b. March 5, 1881.

11. —, b. Aug. 31, 1883.

12. BATTLES, ALFRED, bro. of the last, a chairmaker by trade, was b. Feb. 14, 1825; he m., Dec. 8, 1847, Lydia, dau. of Edward W. and Lydia (Hoar) Kendall, by whom he had 3 chn. He d. Sept. 19, 1853, a. 28. Chn.:

13. ELVA MARIA, b. Feb. 3, 1849; d. Jan. 23, 1850.

14. GEORGE A., b. Dec. 8, 1850; m. Mary Jane Clark; res. W.

15. FRANK H., b. Jan. 25, 1853; m. Sarah E. Merriam; res. W.; no chn.

[14.] BATTLES, GEORGE A., s. of the last, m. Mary Jane, dau. of Simeon and Mary (Morse) Clark of Pn., Oct. 23, 1879. He is a chairmaker, and has had 5 chn.:

16. GRACE GERTRUDE, b. Sept. 10, 1880; d. Dec. 11, 1883.

17. MARY ALICE, b. May 11, 1882.

18. ALFRED JUSTIN, b. July 3, 1884.

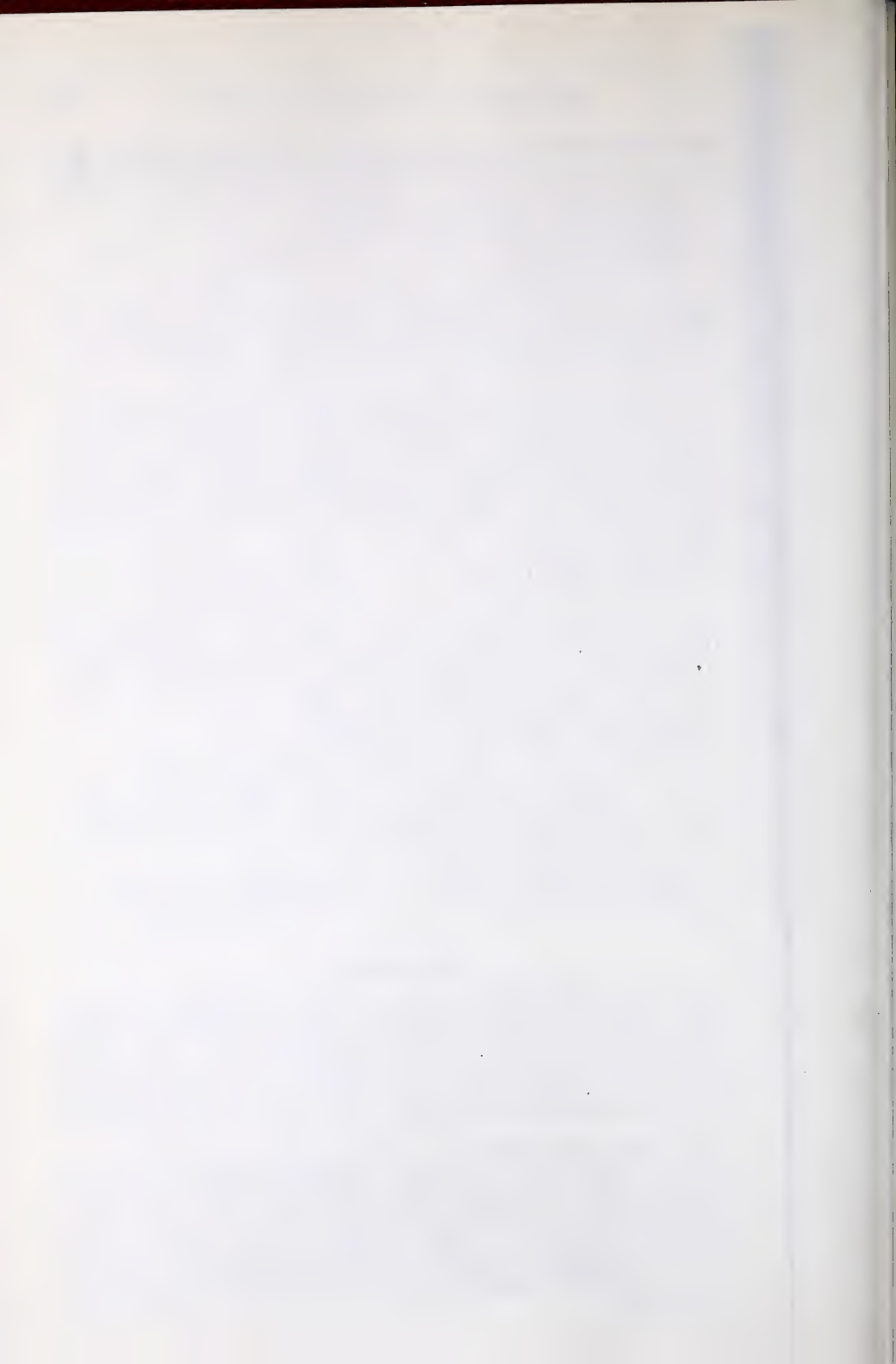
19. EDNA LOUISE, b. Sept. 11, 1886.

20. MAUD E., b. Jan. 3, 1889.

BEAMAN.

This name, spelled *Beman* by all the earlier generations and in all the earlier records, was introduced into this country by Gamaliel¹, who came from England in 1635, when 12 years of age, in the ship "Elizabeth and Ann," and located in Dorchester, where he m. Sarah Clark and had 6 chn., b. 1649-1658. In the latter year he was accepted as a citizen of Lanc., rem. thither in 1659, and had 3 other chn. At the time of the Indian Massacre, in 1676, when the town was abandoned, he ret. to D., where he soon after d.

The oldest s. of Gamaliel¹ was John², who, upon the resettlement of Lanc. built a house on his f.'s lands at Wataquodock (Bolton), and took up his abode there. One of his sons, Gamaliel³, was the first settler of Chocksett (Sterling). Another, John³, who remained on the paternal estate, had Jabez⁴, b. 1705, who went to Shrewsbury, now W. Boylston, in 1746. He was a man of substance, character, and good standing. He owned sev. 2d Div. lots in Nar. No. 2, which were distributed among his chn. after his d. in 1757. By his w., Dinah (Moore), Jabez⁴ had Ephraim⁵, who m. Tamer How in 1764.



1. BEAMAN, SILAS⁶, s. of the last named, was b. April 7, 1765, and coming to W. when ab. 21 yrs. of a., m. Persis, oldest dau. of Rev. Asaph Rice, Aug. 24, 1786. He was a large man physically, weighing in his prime over 300 lbs. He possessed superior skill and efficiency as a school teacher and was an experienced land surveyor. He was employed by the authorities to survey the tn. in 1795, agreeably to a law recently enacted, —a plan of the same made by him being still preserved in the archives of the State. It appears from the rec. that he purchased land at the N. E. corner of the Common, May 2, 1793, upon which he erected the old brick building now displaced by the dwelling of Geo. S. Ham. No doubt he had a store there, as he took out a license ab. the date named for the retailing of spirituous liquors. He returned to Boylston, where he d., prob. in 1811, the inventory of his est. being filed at the Probate Court April 16th of that yr. Date of w.'s d. unknown. They had 2 chn., Betsey and Patty, b. bef. 1791, and prob. others at a later date.

2. BEAMAN, GAMALIEL SAWYER⁶, s. of Gideon⁵ and Dolly (Wilder) Beaman of Sterling, was b. Dec. 8, 1808. His f., one of 17 chn., was s. of Phineas⁴, who was himself s. of Gamaliel³, before spoken of as the first inhabitant of Sterling. Gamaliel S. m. Phebe D., dau. of Daniel and Phebe (Mosman) Gates, and l. many yrs. on the John Brooks place at the foot of B. P. Hill. He d. July 20, 1883, a. 74. Chn.:

3. LAURA M.⁷, b. Mar. 13, 1839; m. C. C. Knowlton; res. Ayer; 2 chn.; living.

4. PHINEAS W.⁷, b. Jan. 10, 1842; d. Sept. 16, 1845.

5. WALDO S.⁷, b. Sept. 4, 1852; m. M. P. Stearns; res. Boston; 2 chn. An artist of considerable skill; his work, which has been somewhat varied and extensive, having received favorable mention by critics and connoisseurs. He has a studio in Boston.

6. BEAMAN, JOSEPH, ptge, etc., unascertained, but said to have come from Lunenburg, was in tn. as early as 1794, in which yr., March 11th, he m. Annis, dau. of Wm. and Abigail (Annis) Bemis, and res. with her f. till his d. in 1801. He and his w., Annis, administered on the est. and remained on the farm until 1816, when they sold to Maj. Nathan Raymond, whose gd.s., Alton Battles, is now in possession of the same. Mr. B. was a blacksmith by trade and in the later yrs. of his life had a shop on No. Common, where he res. He d. in Sept., 1821, a. 52. Most of the fam. who survived him rem. to Antwerp, N. Y. Chn.:

7. JOSEPH, b. Feb. 5, 1795; res. W.; d. Aug. 28, 1838.

8. DAVID, b. Oct. 21, 1796; res. Antwerp. 9. ANNIS, b. Oct. 5, 1798.

10. IRA, b. June 27, 1800; m. Keziah Colburn; res. Ant.; d. 1858.

11. ABIGAIL, b. May 19, 1802; d. Sept., 1805.

12. EZRA B., b. March 20, 1804; res. Ant.

13. SOPHRONIA, b. Dec. 13, 1805.

14. POLLY, b. April 1, 1810; d. July 24, 1813.

15. HIRAM, b. July 1, 1812.

16. ABIGAIL P., b. May 14, 1815.

17. SARAH (Anna)², b. July 28, 1820.

18. BEAMAN, SAMUEL B., a native of Pn., took charge of the hotel at the Center some 20 yrs. ago. His stay in tn. was brief.



He was a Capt. of Co. K, 53d Regt., M. V., for a time during the war of the Rebellion. He d. Pn. Sept. 5, 1887.

1. BEARD, JOSEPH, s. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Nichols) Beard, was b. in Reading, 1748. His f. rem. ab. 1772 to W., settling in the S. W. part of the tn. near the present village of So. Gardner, where he d. in 1831. The s. soon after m. Susannah Hartshorn of Lunenburg, and on May 19, 1777, bought lot 41, 3d Div., located on the back rd. to Gr. near the former Elisha Pierce place, and set. upon it. Little is known of this fam. In 1804 Joseph and Susannah sold the farm to sons, Joseph and Cleveland, and they in turn the following yr. to Elisha Pierce, at which date the entire fam. disappears from the tn.'s annals and from the knowledge of the writer. The chn. were:

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| 2. JOSEPH C., b. Sept. 23, 1775. | 3. SUSANNAH, b. April 6, 1777. |
| 4. LEAFE, b. Dec. 27, 1779; d. yg. | 5. NANCY, b. Sept. 16, 1781. |
| 6. CLEVELAND, b. Apr. 25, 1782; d. May 13. | |
| 7. CLEVELAND, b. May 15, 1784. | 8. HANNAH T., b. Jan. 30, 1787. |
| 9. HETTY, b. Nov. 18, 1789. | 10. JOHN N., b. Sept. 1, 1791. |

Of the above chn., Nancy was pub. to Moses Gage, Hub., July 19, 1800, and Susannah to Joseph Davenport, Jan. 9, 1803.

BELKNAP, JOSEPH, s. of Jedediah and Deborah (Streeter) Belknap, was bap. Fram. May 21, 1750; he m. Olive —, and l. awhile in Pn., whence he came to W. in 1781 and bought 50 a. of land with ho., etc., upon it in the neighborhood of the homestead of the late S. Newell Barnes. The exact location is not kn. He was a shoemaker by trade as well as farmer. He was in tn. but a few yrs., selling his est., Sept. 6, 1788, and disappearing from view. No chn. recorded.

BELLOWS.

John Bellows¹, the progenitor of a family which has contributed some eminent names to American history in the several departments of law, medicine, theology, literature, and military achievement, was born in the old country five years after the landing at Plymouth, and came hither in the ship *Hope-well*, landing on these shores April 1, 1635. A bright, promising lad, he in due time took up the study of medicine as a prerequisite to a useful and honorable profession in life. Making his way, after a time, to Marlboro', a newly settled frontier township of the Mass. Colony, he attained there considerable distinction in his chosen calling and in social life. On the 9th of May, 1665, he m. Mary, dau. of John and Mary Wood, of the same place. Among the children born of this union was Benjamin², who m. Dorcas (Cutter), the widow of Henry Willard of Lancaster (Bolton), and who, after residing in that town a few years, finally located permanently at Lunenburg as one of its first and most prominent inhabitants.

1. BELLOWS, BENJAMIN³, s. of Benjamin and Dorcas (Cutter) Bellows, was b. May 26, 1712; he m. (1) Oct. 7, 1735, Abigail, dau. of John and Abigail (Fiske) Stearns, the sr. of John and Thomas Stearns of Narragansett No. 2. He came early into possession of lot No. 78, half a mile south of Knowler Corner

on the central Hub. rd., where he built a ho. and made improvements and where he prob. res. some yrs. (See A. H. No. 78.) He also owned the Jonathan Sawyer homestead, now Porter Page's, in the north part of the tn., with buildings upon it, 1745-57. In the report made to the General Court July, 1751, on the condition of the "plantation," he is named as having been an actual resident, though not then there, and in 1752 he was paid a bounty for having taken up, improved, and located upon the lot mentioned, agreeably to vote of the proprietors passed some yrs. bef. He was, moreover, one of the early proprietors of Walpole, N. H., presiding at a meeting held by them in March, 1752, and in the following yr. removing thither with his fam., one of the first permanent settlers, and virtually the founder of the tn. His name is perpetuated in the falls of the Conn. River near by and the village adjacent thereto, which are called "Bellows Falls." Abigail, his w., the mother of 5 chn., d. Nov. 8, 1757, and is said to have been the first tenant of Walpole burying ground. Mr. B. m. (2) wid. Mary (Hubbard) Jenneson of Lunenburg, who also had 5 chn. He d. July 10, 1777, a. 65. Only the rec. of the chn. who res. in tn. is given in this connection.

2. ABIGAIL⁴, b. Dec. 21, 1736; d. young.

3. PETER⁴, b. Jan. 6, 1739; m. Mary Chase and had 7 chn.

4. BENJAMIN⁴, b. Oct. 6, 1740; m. Phebe Strong; 3 chn.

5. JOHN⁴, b. Nov. 3, 1742; m. Rebecca Hubbard; 4 chn.

6. JOSEPH⁴, b. June 6, 1744; m. Lois Whitney; 14 chn.

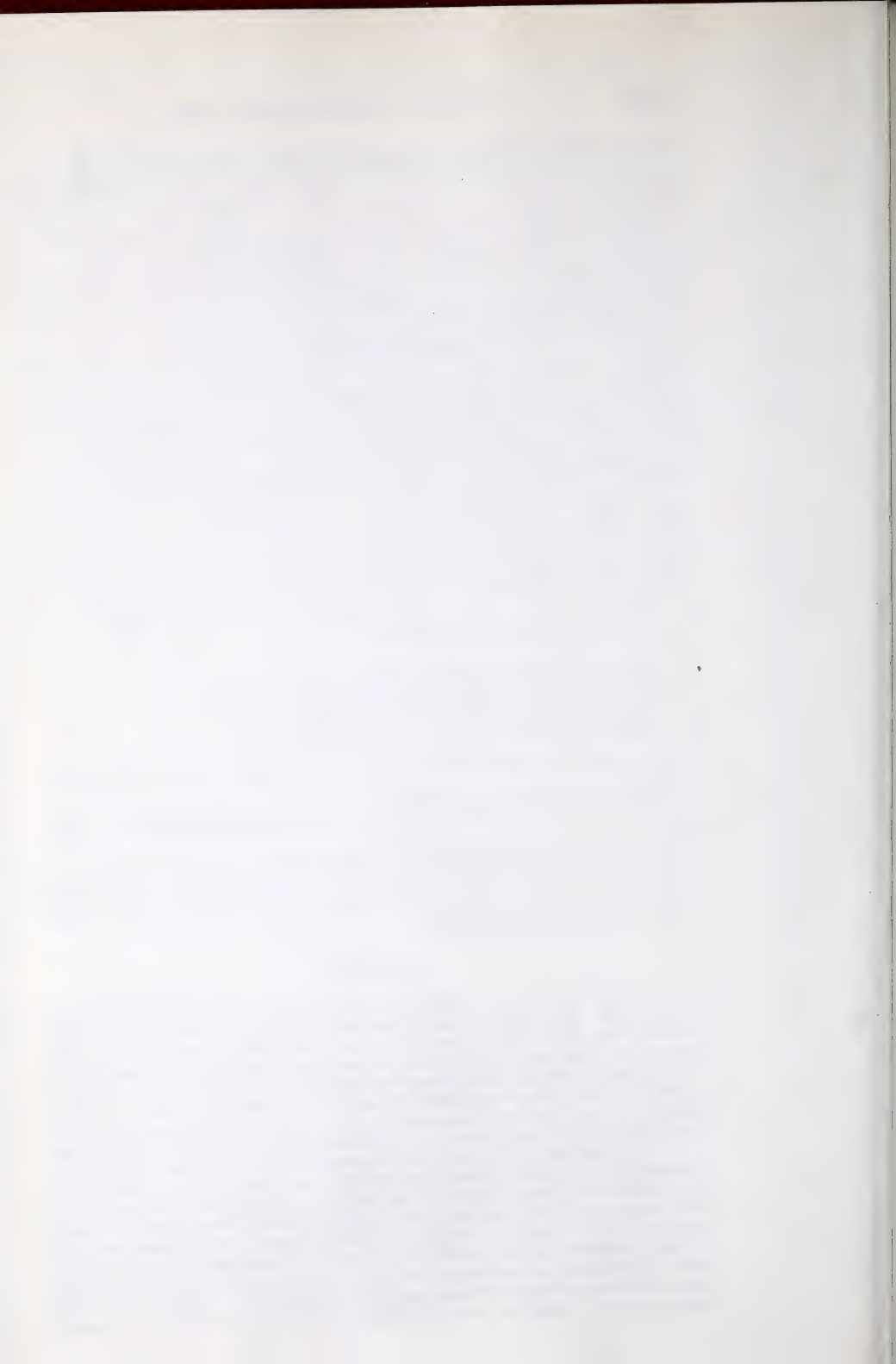
The names of the others, b. in Walpole, were: Abigail, Theodore, Mary, Thomas, and Josiah.

Benjamin Bellows⁴ (4), one of the sons of Benjamin and Abigail, was a Col. in the Rev. War, and distinguished himself for his personal bravery and military achievements.

Joseph Bellows⁴ (6), another of those sons, was the f. of John Bellows, and through him gd. f. of Chief Justice Henry A. Bellows of Concord, N. H., and Rev. Henry W. Bellows, D. D., of New York City—a distinguished divine, philanthropist, orator, and patriot of his generation, and the president of the "Sanitary Commission" in the time of the Rebellion.

BEMIS.

According to the best information obtainable at this writing (1892), the families of this name formerly residing in W. descended from Joseph Bemis¹, who was born in Eng., 1619, and who, coming to this country, appeared as a resident of Watertown as early as 1640. He was, evidently, a man of ability, moral worth, and religious spirit, as only such were eligible to office in those days—an honor repeatedly conferred upon him. He had a family of 9 chn., among whom was Joseph², b. Dec. 12, 1651, of whom nothing further is positively known. The first of the name in W. (Narragansett No. 2), spoken of below, in 1740 disposed of all right and title "to the property of my honored father and mother, Joseph and Anna Bemis" to "my bro. Joseph and sister Mary of Cambridge." This proves that the Nar. set. was the son of Joseph, but whether of the one b. 1651 or of another bearing the same name b. ab. 1675, which is possible, has not been determined. Inasmuch, however, as the records furnish no data upon which the supposition of an intervening generation can be based, it is assumed in this sketch that there was none, and the lineage is given accordingly. The immigrant ancestor of the W. families, Joseph¹, d. Aug. 7, 1684. In 1700 his s., Joseph²,



was aided by a contribution, "having had his substance consumed by fire." With this preliminary statement, it is in order to proceed to the first of the name in this locality.

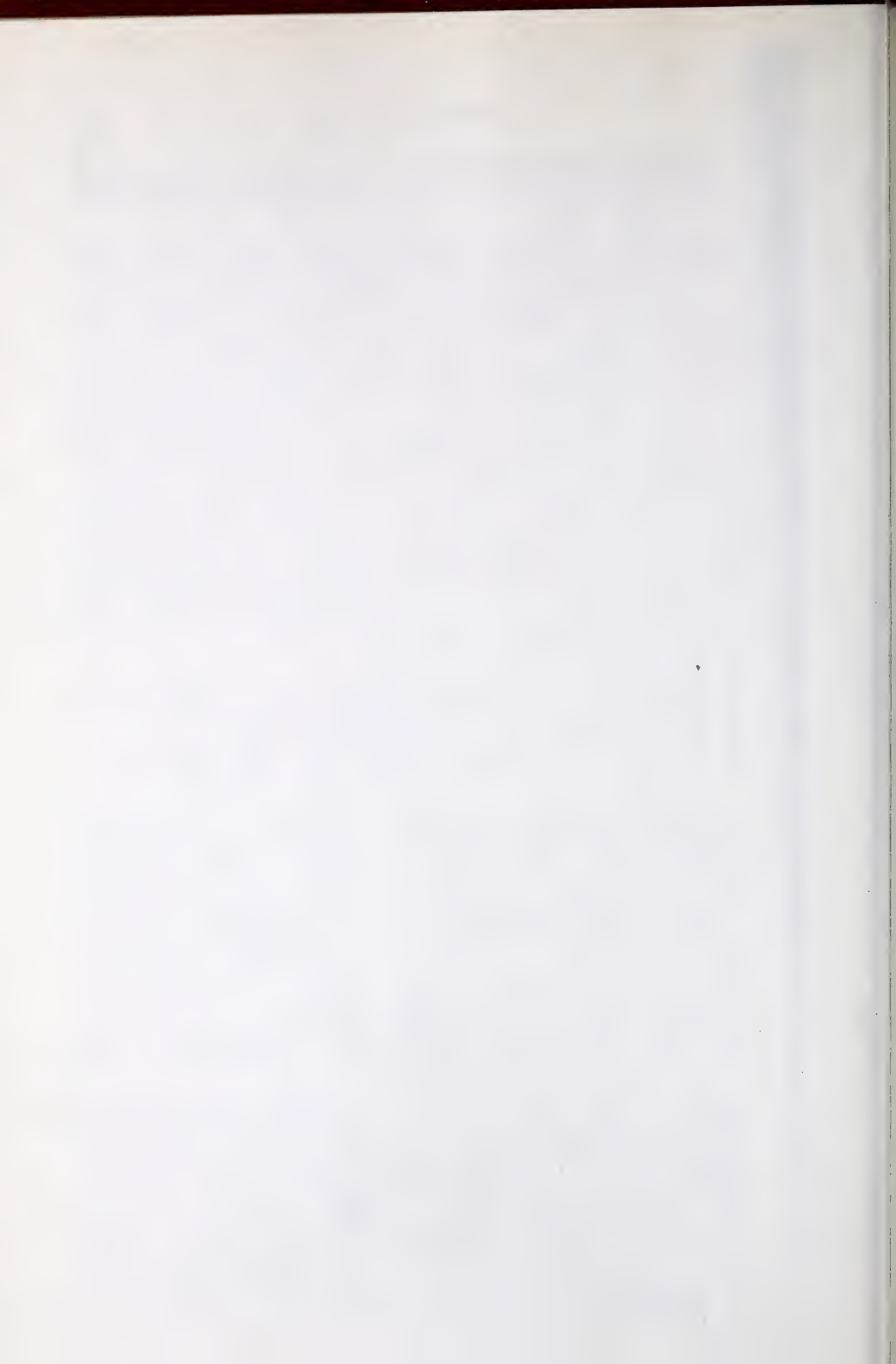
1. BEMIS, PHILIP³, s. of Joseph² and Anna Bemis of Cambridge, was b. at an unkn. date ab. the yr. 1700. He m., Nov. 21, 1723, Elizabeth Lawrence, by whom he had 6 chn. b. bef. coming to Narragansett No. 2, which event took place in the spring of 1738, he being the third permanent settler in the township. In his fam. was a little waif or orphaned boy, 3 or 4 yrs. of a., Daniel Munjoy by name, of whom fuller mention will be made in proper place and time. He located on lot 66, recently the Henry Perkins place, lying north of where Geo. Harris now res. (See A. H. No. 60.) Beyond these facts little has been learned of him. He seems to have been a substantial, respectable citizen, though not active bef. the public, and not wearing the honors of any important official position. But he reared a fam. of excellent repute, several members of which gained both place and distinction in civil, military, and religious affairs. The date of his d. has not been ascertained, but he is kn. to have been l. in 1782. The time of the demise of his w. is equally undetermined. Their chn. were:

2. PHILIP⁴; bap. Nov. 13, 1726; m. Lydia Dix. [Nov. 8, 1801.
3. WILLIAM⁴; bap. Nov. 13, 1726; m. (1) Rezina Wilder, (2) Abigail Annis; d.
4. DAVID⁴; bap. July 30, 1729; m. Mary Dunster; 11 chn.; d. 1813.
5. ABIGAIL⁴; bap. July 25, 1731; nothing further found; prob. d. young.
6. EDMUND⁴; bap. Oct. 22, 1732; m. Elizabeth Rand; 9 chn.; d. Dec. 1, 1806.
7. ZACCHEUS⁴; bap. July 25, 1736; m. Elizabeth Lyon; 7 chn.; d. 1805.

[2.] BEMIS, PHILIP⁴, s. of the last, seems to have left No. 2 soon after reaching his majority and returned to Cambridge, remaining there some yrs. He m., Feb. 22, 1749, Lydia Dix of Waltham, but, so far as kn., s. p. He was a res. here in 1759, as stated in a deed dated June 4th, conveying lot No. 56—the old Raymond homestead—to John Baldwin of Pelham, N. H. Two yrs. later he, then "of Cambridge," bought the adjoining lot, No. 119, and built or caused to be built the first sawmill on the premises,—the original of the well-known "Raymond Mill." Sept. 20, 1765, he sold this property to his foster bro., Daniel Munjoy, and thereafter is lost to all research. He was only an intermittent res. here.

[3.] BEMIS, WILLIAM⁴, bro. of the last, set. upon lot No. 65 adjoining his f.'s on the N. W., now owned by Alton Battles, having purchased it Nov. 17, 1747, of Abram Skinner of Malden. He m. (1) Rezina, dau. of Joshua and Sarah (Keyes) Wilder of Pn. and sr. of Mrs. Thomas Merriam, prob. in 1755, who bore him 6 chn. She d. at unkn. date and he m. (2), Nov. 12, 1772, Abigail Annis, by whom he had 3 more. He d. at W. Nov. 8, 1801, a. 76; she d. at Harvard, where she had been l. with her s., in Dec., 1823, or Jan., 1824. Chn.:

8. WILLIAM⁵, b. July 29, 1756; d. Oct. 10, 1764.
9. PHILIP⁵, b. Nov. 9, 1757; d. Oct. 4, 1764.



10. ELIZABETH⁵, b. April 17, 1759; m. Jonathan Phillips.
11. JOSHUA⁵, b. March 19, 1761; m. and had 1 s. living in 1801; d. bef. 1801.
12. REZINA⁵, b. Jan. 30, 1763; d. March 8, 1763.
13. WILLIAM⁵, b. Nov. 10, 1764; d. July 25, 1776.
14. REZINA⁵, b. June 3, 1773; living unm. in 1801; nothing further.
15. STEPHEN⁵, b. Sept. 10, 1774; m. Rejoice —; min. Harvard; 5 chn.
16. ANNIS⁵, b. Sept. 1, 1776; m. Joseph Beamän; res. W.

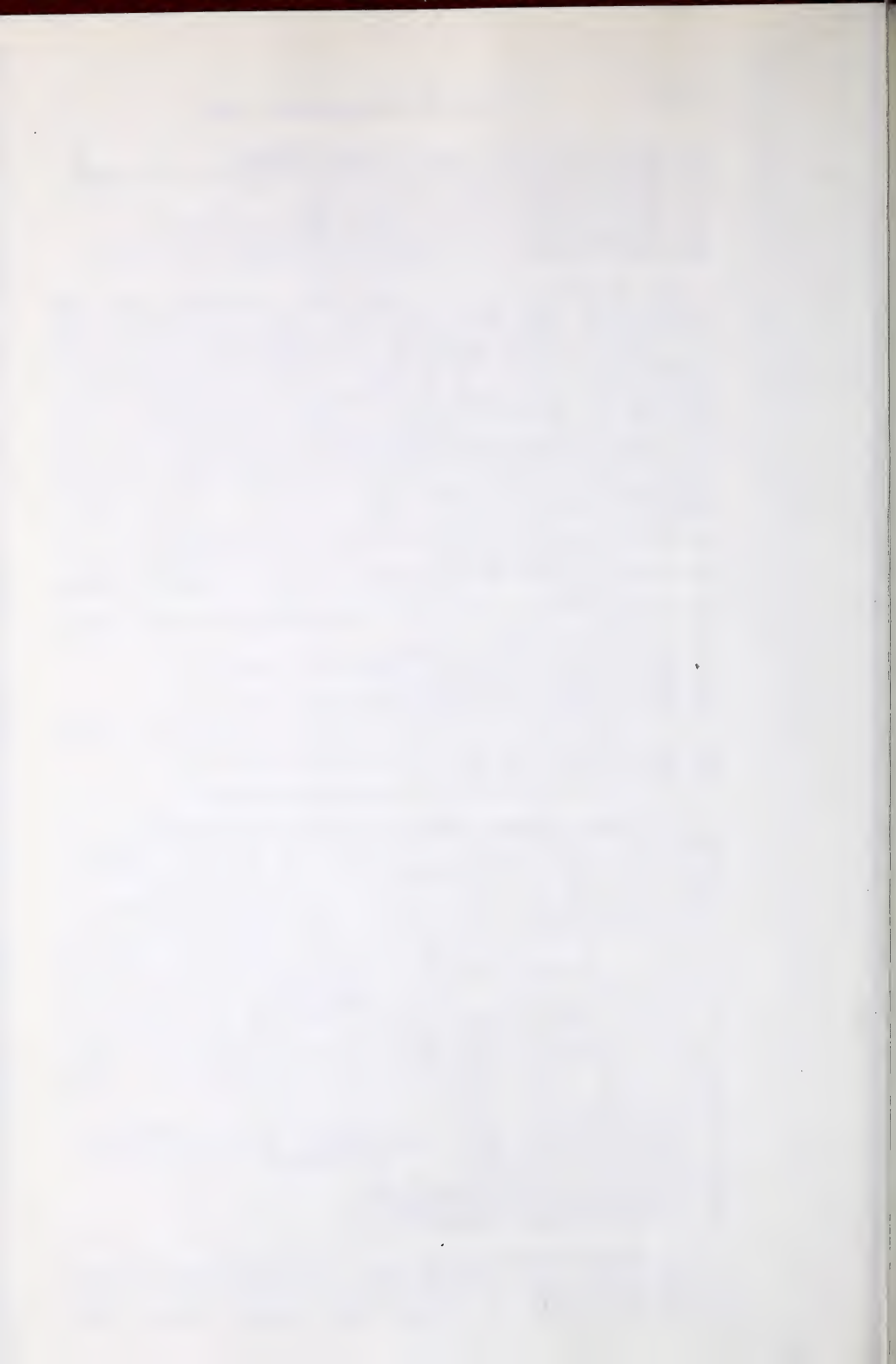
[4.] BEMIS, DAVID⁴, m. Mary, dau. of David and Mary Dunster, ab. 1751, and located on lot No. 21, S. E. of principal tn. cemetery, where the site of the dwelling ho. may be easily recognized. (See A. H. No. 61.) In 1783 he sold his est. to his bro. Edmond, l. near by, and rem. with his fam. to Dummerston, Vt., and there became an active and influential citizen, and a zealous deacon and lay exhorter in the Baptist Chh. His chn., all b. in W., set. ab. him in his new home, and have many descendants in that vicinity still l. He d. in 1813, a. 84, but the date of w.'s d. is unkn. Chn.:

17. JOHN⁵, b. June 4, 1752; m. Abigail Stevens and Jemima Whipple; res. Dummerston, Vt.; d. 1835.
18. ABNER⁵, b. March 28, 1756; m. Kate Freeman; res. Halifax, Vt.; Baptist clergyman.
19. JOSEPH⁵, b. Feb. 1, 1758; m. Jemima Stoddard; res. Dum., Vt.; d. Aug. 16, 1837.
20. LEVI⁵, b. May 18, 1760; d. infancy.
21. SARAH⁵, b. April 8, 1762; m. Paul Dickinson; res. Dum., Vt.
22. ELIAS⁵, b. Aug. 13, 1763; d. infancy.
23. LEVI⁵, b. July 25, 1765; m. and set. Dum., Vt.
24. ELIAS⁵, b. July 15, 1767; m. Experience Kendrick; res. Dum., Vt.; d. June 2, 1806.
25. SAMUEL⁵, b. April 26, 1769; m. Betsey Bemis; res. Dum., Vt.
26. EZRA⁵, b. April 5, 1771; no record.
27. BENJAMIN⁵, b. April 5, 1771; m. Olive Baldwin; res. Dum., Vt.

[6.] BEMIS, EDMUND⁴, fourth s. of Philip³ and Elizabeth, m. (1) Elizabeth, perhaps dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth (Parker) Rand of Salem and Shrewsbury, and set. with his f. on the home place, lot No. 66. He was a man of good standing in the tn. and a Capt. in the war for independence, having command of a Co. at the battle of Bunker Hill. He served the tn. 1 yr. as Assessor and 3 yrs. as Selectman, as well as in other less notable positions. His w., Elizabeth, d. ab. 1777, and he m. (2) wid. Phebe Spring, prob. sr. of Dr. Benjamin Marshall, who was associated with her in the execution of Mr. Bemis' will, but of whom nothing further has been learned. He d. Dec. 1, 1807, a. 75. Chn.:

28. ELIJAH⁵, b. March 10, 1761.
29. ABIGAIL⁵, b. June 21, 1763.
30. EDMUND⁵, b. June 4, 1766; m. Susannah Graves; res. W. and Troy, N. H.
31. SAMUEL⁵, b. Oct. 27, 1768.
32. DEBORAH⁵, b. Oct. 27, 1768.
33. EBENEZER⁵, b. Sept. 2, 1772.
34. SARAH⁵, b. July 12, 1774; m. Elisha Hall.
35. Unnamed⁵, b. May 12, 1777; d. infancy.
36. Unnamed⁵, b. May 13, 1777; d. infancy.

[7.] BEMIS, ZACCHEUS⁴, youngest s. of Philip³ and Elizabeth, m. Elizabeth Lyon "of Westminster" at Lanc. Feb. 10, 1761. He set. on a 2d Div. lot, No. 48, where Alonzo Curtis now res.



He d. in 1805, a. 69. His w. survived him ab. 6 yrs., passing away in 1811 at an unkn. a. Chn.:

37. ZACCHEUS⁵, b. 1761?; m. Susannah Farnum; res. Windham, Vt., and N. Y.
38. POLLY⁵, b. 1762; m. John Cole; res. Gr. and Gilsun, N. H.; d. Dec. 30, 1825.
39. BETSEY⁵, b. 1764?; m. Samuel Taylor; res. Fg.
40. PHILIP⁵, b. 1766?; m. Sally Pierce; res. Dunbarton, N. H.; d. Jan. 2, 1844.
41. STEPHEN⁵, b. March 16, 1768; m. Dolly Ross and Achsah Pollard; res. W.
42. LYDIA⁵, b. 1771; m. Stephen Sawin and Levi Graves; d. May 10, 1855.
43. MERCY⁵, b. 1774; m. Azariah Fuller; res. Fg.
44. WILLIAM⁵, b. Jan. 11, 1777; m. Hannah Darby; res. W.

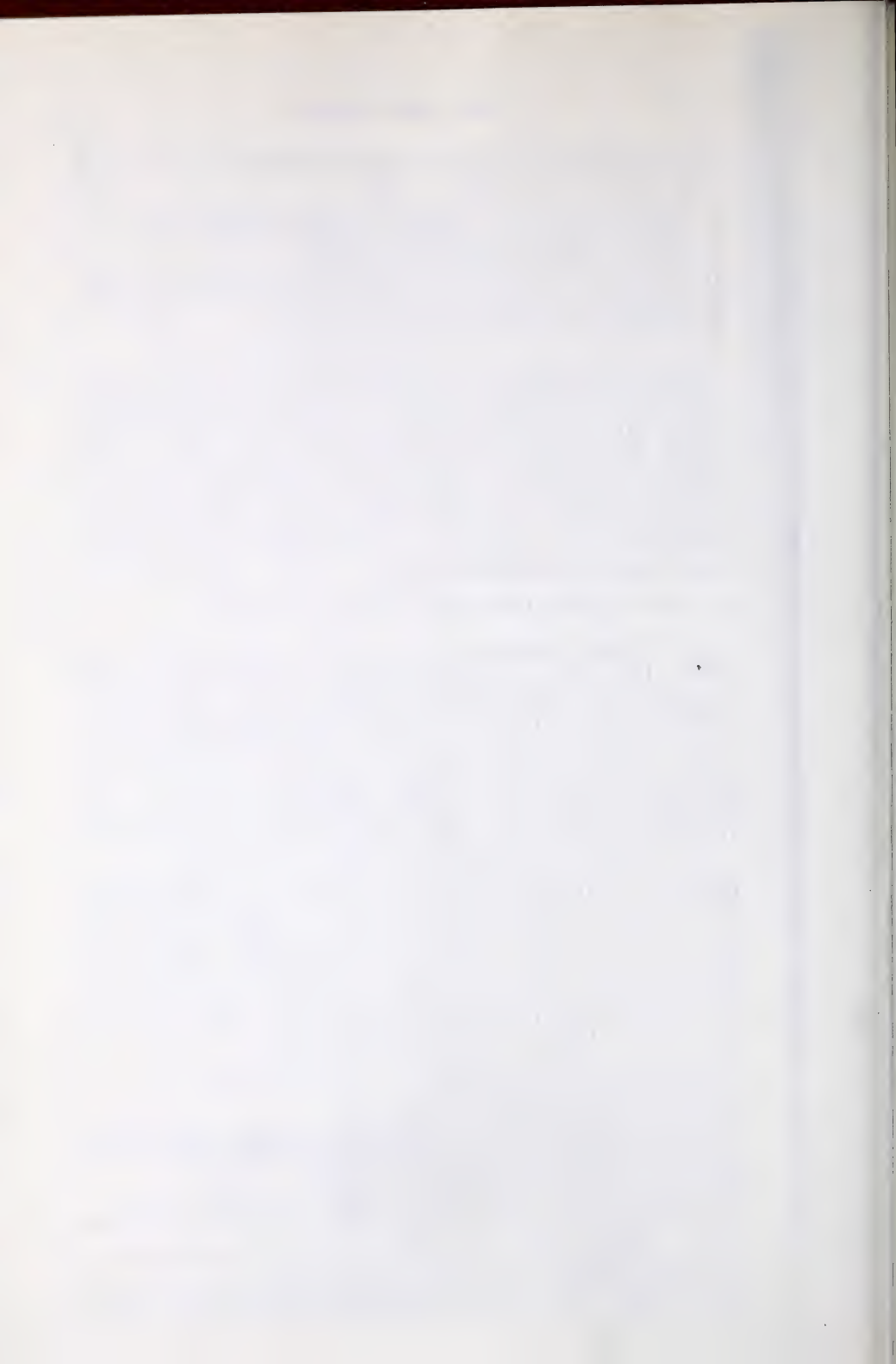
[30.] BEMIS, EDMUND⁵, s. of Edmund⁴ and Elizabeth (Rand) Bemis was m. to Susannah, dau. of Peter and Susannah (Hager) Graves, April 6, 1797. He res. for a few yrs. in W., purchasing lot No. 19, the present Hobart Raymond est., of Elias Holden, July 22, 1802. He remained upon it but a short time, selling to Elijah Hager, and rem. to Fg. in 1804 and thence to Troy, N. H., where he d. Feb. 11, 1857, a. 91. His w., Susannah, d. Jan. 5, 1848, a. 73. They had 7 chn., only one of whom seems to have been b. here:

45. CLARA⁶, b. June 22, 1801; m. Wm. Whitcomb; res. Troy, N. H.

[33.] BEMIS, EBENEZER⁵, bro. of the last, also set. for a time in W. He m. the sr. of Edmund's w., Lucy Graves, and prob. l. on the Fenno place, which he bought of his cousin William, March 18, 1806. In Dec., 1808, he sold to Dodd and Sawyer and afterwards res. on "the Dunster place," as it was called, which he disposed of to Nathan Darby in 1816. This was presumably the original Dudley Bailey farm, lying between Wachusettville and the Smith sawmill. (See A. H. No. 85.) He d. in tn. Jan. 2, 1829. No chn. rep.

[41.] BEMIS, STEPHEN⁵, s. of Zaccheus and Elizabeth (Lyon) Bemis, m. (1) Dolly Ross of Fg. Oct. 25, 1792. After giving b. to 2 chn. she d., and he m. (2), Nov. 17, 1796, Achsah Pollard of Ash., mother of the others named below. He res. for some yrs. with his f. on lot No. 48, 2d Div., but, after the latter's death, he sold, in 1806, to Francis Curtis of Sharon and rem. to Ash. He d. July 18, 1841, a. 73. Date of w.'s d. not learned. Chn., of whom 8 were b. in W.:

46. SOPHIA⁶, m. Thos. Fuller, Fg.
47. Unnamed⁶; d. 1800.
48. STEPHEN⁶, b. June 16, 1797; d. 1800.
49. WILLIAM⁶, b. Aug. 22, 1798; d. 1800.
50. DOLLY⁶, b. March 6, 1801; m. Arnold Dwight; res. Dover; d. Sept., 1883.
51. HANNAH⁶, b. Nov. 24, 1802; m. Saml. Danforth; res. Salem; d. June 10, 1880.
52. STEPHEN⁶, b. March 20, 1804; m. Miriam Farwell; res. Nashua, Ill.
53. SYLVIA⁶, b. Oct. 20, 1805; d. unm. Feb. 23, 1849.
54. ACHSAH⁶, b. May 14, 1807; m. Lincoln Hart and Bradish Baker; res. Ash.
55. BETSEY⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1809; m. James S. Mills; res. Dunbarton, N. H.; now living.
56. WILLIAM P.⁶, b. April 6, 1810; m. Sally Blodgett; res. Salisbury, Conn.; d. Sept. 26, 1866.
57. SAMUEL⁶, b. Jan. 13, 1812; m. Mary Pettingill; res. Col.; d. 1878.
58. ZACCHEUS⁶, b. Jan. 1, 1814; m. Maria Garfield; res. W. Camb.; d. May 9, 1849.



[44.] BEMIS, WILLIAM⁵, bro. of the last, m., Nov. 23, 1799, Hannah, dau. of John and Hannah (Gerry) Darby. He was a blacksmith by trade and carried on the business for some yrs. at the Fenno place, opposite Hobart Raymond's, which he bought of Abner Holden, Esq. After disposing of that he l. for a time in the S. W. part of the tn., opposite the present residence of Mrs. Norman Seaver (see A. H. No. 76) and was also in Pn. a few yrs. He finally purchased a small lot with ho. upon it near the present No. 3 Sc. ho., where L. W. Bassett now res., and l. there till his dec., Oct. 8, 1835, at the a. of 58. His fam. soon after moved to Ash., some of the chn. being already set. in that tn. Mrs. Bemis d. Aug. 12, 1861, a. 80. Chn.:

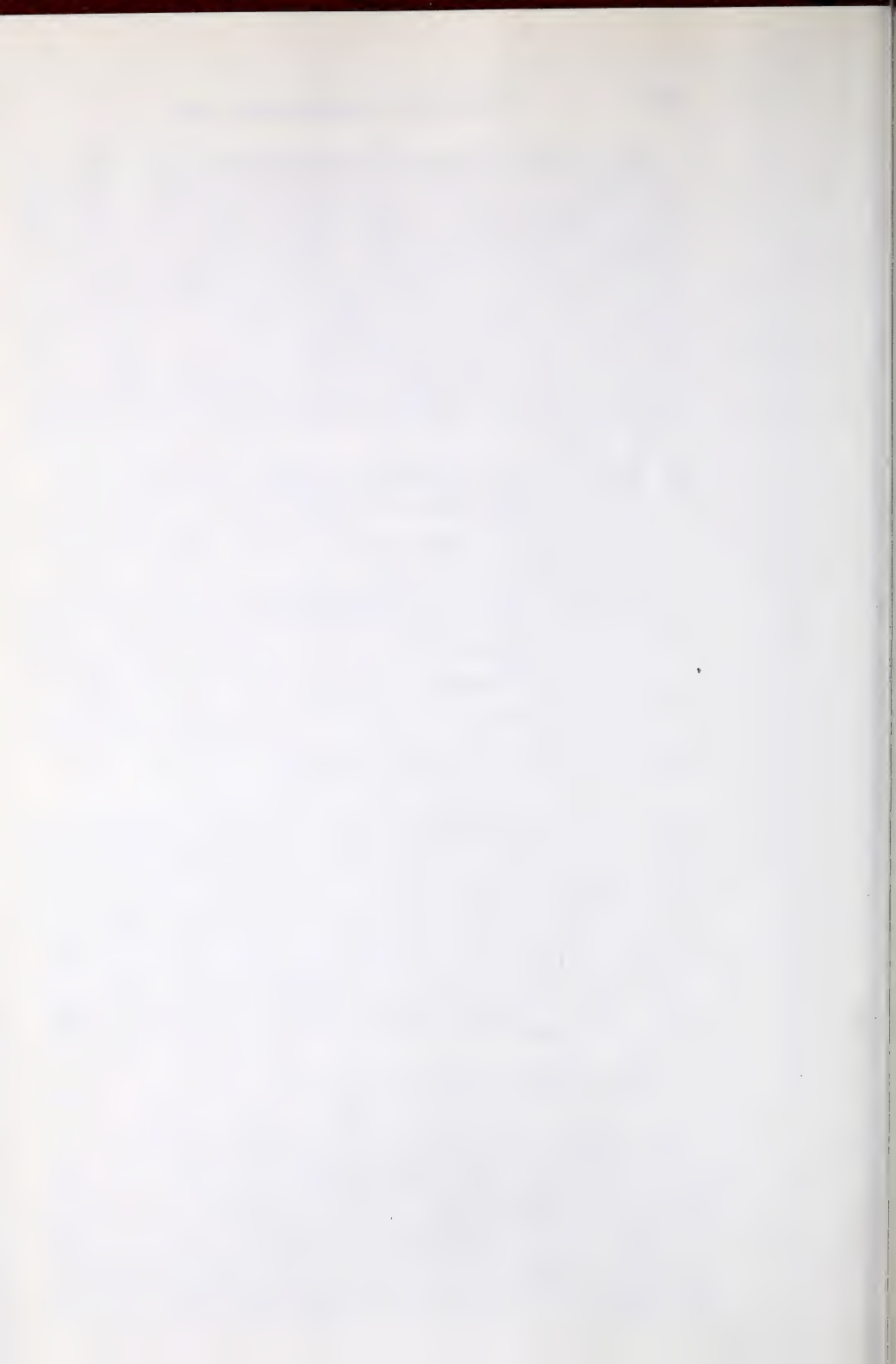
59. REUBEN⁶, b. Jan. 22, 1801; led a wandering life; killed by Indians ab. 1840.
60. WILLIAM⁶, b. April 3, 1803; d. Aug. 28, 1805.
61. LORETTA⁶, b. Sept. 30, 1805; m. Brigham Wallace; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; d. June 25, 1890.
62. WILLIAM⁶, b. Jan. 2, 1808; m. Elijah B. Beard; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; d. March 23, 1881.
63. JOSEPH D.⁶, b. Jan. 23, 1810; d. July 4, 1820.
64. HANNAH⁶, b. July 8, 1812; m. Alvin Kendall; res. Ash.; 6 chn.; d. June 11, 1886.
65. CHARLES R.⁶, b. Dec. 5, 1814; m. Elmira Parmenter; res. Marl., N. H.; 2 chn.; d. March 11, 1890.
66. NANCY⁶, b. May 5, 1817; m. Col. Francis I. Barrett; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 10, 1864.
67. JOHN⁶, b. Dec. 28, 1819; m. Lucy R. Sawtelle; res. N. Y.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 26, 1879.
68. RUTH D.⁶, b. Oct. 18, 1822; m. Chas. F. Johnson; res. Ash.; 4 chn.; d. Nov. 21, 1892.
69. JOSEPH M.⁶, b. April 18, 1824; d. Dec. 18, 1830.

Here ends the record of the Philip Bemis line of the family.

70. BEMIS, THOMAS³, another s., as is sup., of Joseph and Anna Bemis of Cambridge, b. at an unkn. date, came to No. 2 ab. the same time as Philip did and located on lot No. 104 in the east part of the tn., now owned by John Curry. This lot had been drawn by his f. as a sold. in the Nar. War. He was accompanied by his w. only, and their oldest chd., Anna, according to tradition, was the first female b. in the place. He d. in 1757, his est. being divided between his wid., Anna, and their 2 chn., by Daniel Hoar and others, agreeably to an order from the Probate Court. She d. in 1798, at the great a. of 100 yrs. Chn.:

71. ANNA⁴, b. April 22, 1741; m. John Estabrook; res. W.; 14 chn.; d. Feb. 26, 1832.
72. THOMAS⁴, b. at unknown date; m. Lucy Green; 5 chn.; d. 1814?

[72.] BEMIS, THOMAS⁴, only s. of the last named, m. Lucy Green, said to be "of W.," Sept. 3, 1787, and l. upon his f.'s est. He was a blacksmith and carried on that business in connection with his farming operations. He owned for some yrs., wholly or in part, the trip hammer property at Wachusettville, which was sold to David Wyman after his dec. (See Chapter on Industries.) The date of his d. has not been fd., but he was last taxed in 1811; his w., Lucy, d. Sept. 13, 1824. Chn.:



73. DANIEL⁵, b. 1788?; m. Polly Sawin.

74. PEARSON⁵, b. 1790?; m. Betsey Jackson.

75. POLLY⁵, b. 1792?; m. (1) Henry Dunster, (2) Wm. Lewis; d. May 16, 1845.

76. BETSEY⁵, b. 1794?; d. 1800. 77. REUBEN⁵, b. 1797?; d. April, 1811.

[73.] BEMIS, DANIEL⁵, s. of the last, continued the business of his f. at Wachusettville for a few yrs., manufacturing knee-buckles and other small wares in company with his bro., but rem. to Chesterfield, N. H., in 1812, where he shortly after dec'd. He was pub. to Polly Sawin April 12, 1811. She prob. d. soon, and he m. (2) Lucy —, who survived him. No chn. so far as kn.

[74.] BEMIS, PEARSON⁵, bro. of the last, and associated with him, as stated, in business, remained in tn. some yrs. longer. He went hence to Holden and from there to Bellingham, where he d. 1833. He m., 1811, Betsey Jackson of Hub., but no chn. are rep.

1. BENJAMIN, AHIJAH W., s. of Francis and Dorothy (Wood), was b. Winchendon, Jan. 15, 1810. The f., early in his m. life, left his fam., and the mother and s. were kindly and abundantly cared for by her parents, Ahijah Wood and w. of W. She d. Dec. 6, 1849, a. 64. May 25, 1837, he m. Mary, dau. of Nathan and Polly (Brooks) Merriam of Pn. and in due time set. on the Timothy Hoar place, No. 101, where his s. now res. He was a man of quiet ways, but of unquestioned worth and honor. He d. May 7, 1889, a. 79. His wid. is still l. in W. Chn.:

2. GEORGE F., b. April 25, 1840; k. at Ball's Bluff, Oct. 21, 1861. (See Chap. XX.)

3. MARY M., b. May 24, 1845; d. July 28, 1845.

4. MYRON N., b. July 2, 1846; m. Florence M. Cowee; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; living.

5. FRANK E., b. Dec. 16, 1851; m. Ella M. Ferrell; res. Charlestown.

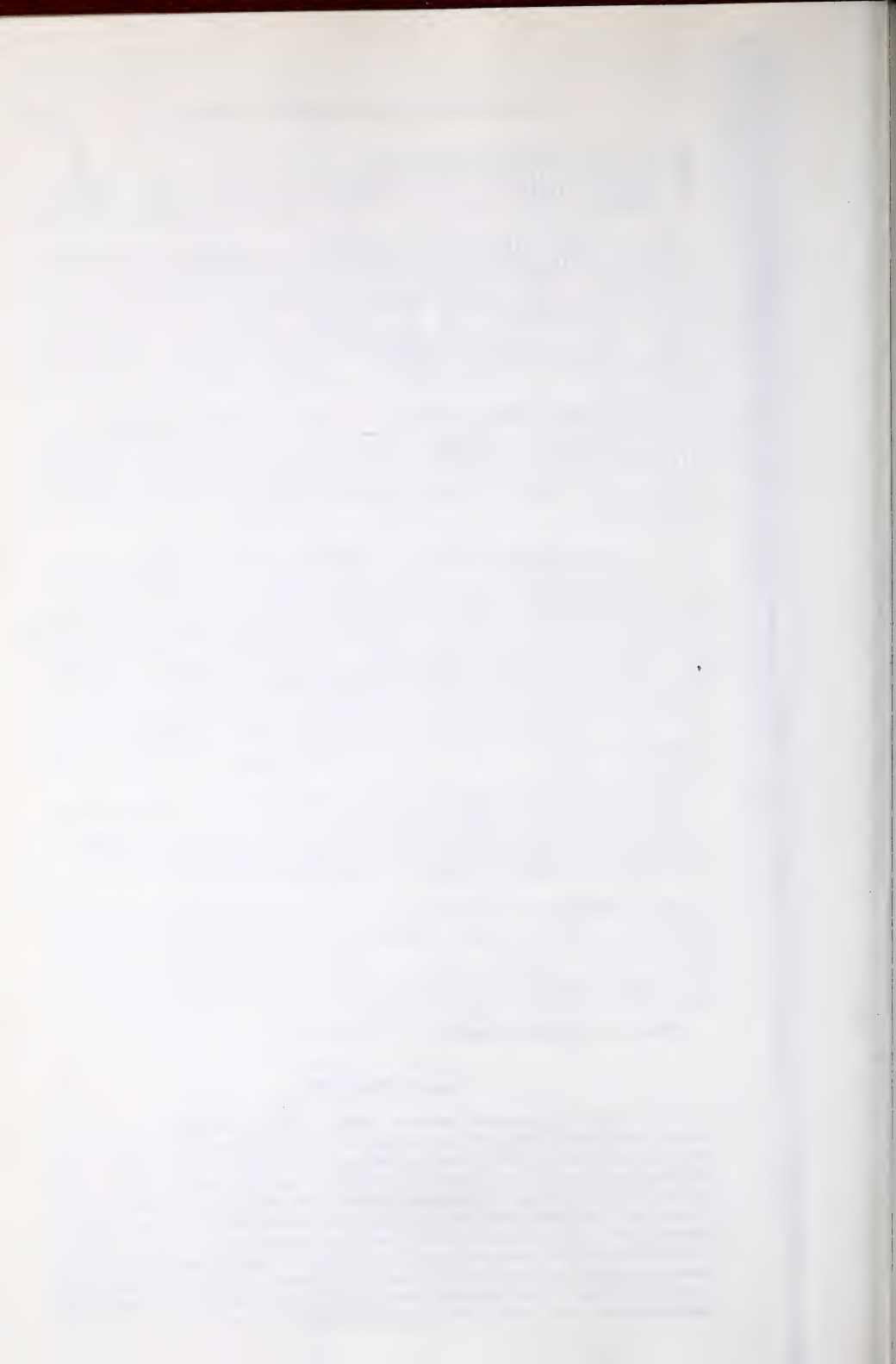
6. WILLIAM H., b. March 28, 1857; m. Anna F. Nutting; res. W.

[6.] BENJAMIN, WILLIAM H., the last named, remained at home with his pts. and succeeded to the homestead on which he continues to res. He m., Nov. 26, 1889, Mrs. Anna F. Nutting, the dau. of Ervin and Frances A. (Sawyer) Stuart of Sterling. They have had 1 chd.:

7. WILLIE, b. March 19, 1891 and d. the same day.

BIGELOW.

It has been the generally received opinion that this family, one of the oldest, most substantial, and honorable in New England, descended from one Richard, lord of the baronial demesne of Baguley, who lived during the reign of Henry III., about the middle of the thirteenth century. Mr. Hudson, in his Centennial Address, assumed that this view was well authenticated, in accordance with the published statements of other historians and genealogists. It was based chiefly upon the supposition that John Bigelow¹ of Watertown, the immigrant ancestor of most or all of those bearing the name in this part of the country, was identical with a certain John Beagely, a reputed scion of the ancient house of Baguley, who, according to the parish records, was born in Wrentham, Suffolk Co., Eng., Feb. 16, 1616-17.



More recent inquiries, however, prosecuted with painstaking diligence and care, have not only failed to establish the identity referred to, but have rendered the whole theory under notice so uncertain, not to say improbable, that some of those most interested in the matter have abandoned it altogether. It has, indeed, been found impossible to trace the American family to its ancestral home and hereditary relationships beyond the sea. Not even the name Bigelow, nor any one akin to it, so far as ascertained at the present date, appears in the historical literature or patronymic vocabularies of the old world.

The first notice of the immigrant head of the American branch of the family is in an item in the early records of Watertown, reading as follows: "1642-30-8, John Biguloh and Mary Warin joined in mariag before Mr. Nowell." Of this union thirteen children were born. The wife and mother dying, Mr. Bigelow married Sarah, the daughter of Joseph Bemis, and great aunt probably of Philip Bemis, third settler of Westminster. He was a man of ability, character, and good standing in the community, as attested by the fact that he was elected successively to the several offices of Surveyor of Highways, Constable, and Selectman. He was a soldier in the war with King Philip, as were also some of his sons. He d. July 14, 1703, aged 86, which makes the date of his birth 1616 or 1617—the only circumstance which indicates that he may have been John Beagely of Wrentham, as formerly believed. As an illustration of the orthographical versatility of those days, in respect to family names as well as otherwise, it may be noted that this man's name was spelled Biguloh in the quoted record of his marriage; Biggalough when he took the oath of fidelity in 1652; Bigolo when made freeman in 1669; while in his will, dated Jan. 4, 1703, it was reduced to its simplest form, Biglo.

I. BIGELOW, JOSHUA², s. of John¹ and Mary (Warren) Bigelow, was b. Watertown, Nov. 5, 1655. When the war with Philip broke out in 1675 he enlisted in the service of the colonies, joined the forces under Gov. Winslow, and was in the memorable swamp fight, Dec. 19, 1675, where he was wounded. In recognition of the faithful and honorable part he bore in the conflict with the savage foe, he received a special grant of land in Worc., in addition to his rights as one of the eight hundred and forty Nar. Grantees spoken of at length in one of the earlier chapters of this work. In the classification of those grantees and final distribution of townships among the sev. classes, he was of the company to whom Nar. No. 2 was assigned, and drew lot No. 12 in the first division of lands. He m., Oct. 20, 1676, Elizabeth Flagg of Watertown, by whom he became the f. of 12 chn., all of whom were b. in that place, where he first set. He rem. thence to Worc., occupying there for many yrs. and improving the grant he recd. from the colony, but finally taking up his res. here with his s. Eliezer³, when of far advanced a., in 1742. Through his s. Daniel³ he was gd.f. of Col. Timothy Bigelow⁴ of Revolutionary fame, whose appropriately chaste and beautifully designed monument adorns the old Common of the city of Worc., and through Daniel³ and David⁴ the gt.-gd.f. of Geo. T. Bigelow⁵, a former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the state of Mass. He was also the progenitor of numerous other descendants more or less distinguished in the three learned professions, — theology, law, and



medicine,—and in other useful and honorable positions and callings in life. He d. after a res. here of 2 yrs. and 8 months, Feb. 21, 1745, in the 90th yr. of his a., and is said to have been the first adult person who dec'd in the township. He was the only Nar. sold. that ever became an actual resident of the place.

2. BIGELOW, ELIEZER³, the youngest of the 12 chn. of Joshua² and Elizabeth (Flagg) Bigelow, was b. March 14, 1704-5. He m., Nov. 24, 1724, Mary, dau. of William and Hannah (Smith) Fiske of Watertown, where he first set. and where most of his chn. were b. He came to Nar. No. 2 in the early part of 1742 with his fam., his aged f. accompanying them, and located upon lot No. 12 aforesaid, bounded on the N. E. and S. E. by Main St. and the Hubbardston road, respectively. He built his ho. on the crown of the hill towards the westerly boundary of the lot, a still existent well marking the site. He d. Feb. 24, 1762, a. 57. Chn.:

3. BENJAMIN⁴, b. Oct. 13, 1726; set. Portsmouth, N. H.; only 1 chd. reported.
4. ELISHA⁴, b. Jan. 11, 1727-8; m. Sarah Goodridge; res. W.
5. MARY⁴, b. Sept. 13, 1730; m. Gideon Smith.
6. JOSHUA⁴, b. April 12, 1733; m. Margery Knowlton; res. W.
7. JABEZ⁴, b. Dec. 19, 1736; m. Deborah Knowlton; res. W.
8. ANN⁴, b. May 30, 1740; m. Saml. Titus; res. Ashburnham.
9. ESTHER⁴, b. March 22, 1743; m. Moses Thurston; res. W.; d. Oct. 24, 1831.

[4.] BIGELOW, ELISHA⁴, s. of the last, m., Dec. 1, 1757, Sarah, dau. of Benjamin and Lydia (Stearns) Goodridge of Lunenburg, and set. on lot No. 18, lying S. W. of that of his f., now owned by R. J. Lavers. He was an able, enterprising, public-spirited, and highly esteemed citizen, holding various positions of trust and responsibility both before and after the incorporation of the township, the duties of which he discharged with scrupulous fidelity. In 1781 he opened his ho. as a public inn, the principal County road through the tn. running past it, and for many yrs. "Bigelow's tavern" was the leading hostelry of the place. He d. Feb. 1, 1814, a. 86. Sarah, his w., d. May 10, 1809, a. 76. Chn.:

10. A son (unnamed)⁵, b. Aug. 9, 1758; d. the same day.
11. SUSANNAH⁵, b. Aug. 13, 1759; d. Sept. 24, 1767.
12. EPHRAIM⁵, b. Aug. 8, 1761; m. Lydia Johnson; res. W.
13. SARAH⁵, b. July 5, 1763; m. Wm. Penniman; res. W.
14. ELISHA⁵, b. July 18, 1765; d. Oct. 12, 1767.
15. ELISHA⁵, b. Oct. 22, 1767; m. Lucy Benson; res. W.
16. SUSANNAH⁵, b. Nov. 6, 1769; d. June 15, 1777.
17. ABIJAH⁵, b. Dec. 5, 1775; m. Hannah Gardner; res. Leom., etc.; 9 chn.; d. April 5, 1860.

Abijah Bigelow⁵, the youngest of this family, was intellectually inclined by nature, and early in life acquired studious habits and a taste for literary pursuits. He prepared for Dartmouth College, entering the class of 1795, graduating with honor. Choosing the law for a profession, he duly qualified himself for practice, and was adm. to the bar in 1798. He established himself at Leom., where he was highly esteemed as a citizen, and where he gained distinction for his legal ability and skill. Besides crowning him with the responsibilities of local office, the town sent him to the Gen. Ct. as its Representative, and in 1809 the Congressional District to which he belonged elected him to a seat in the lower house of the National Legislature, where he rendered 6 yrs.' service, being twice re-elected. In 1817 he



was appointed Clerk of the Courts for Worc. Co.,—a position held by him for many years. Soon after this appointment he rem. to Worc., where he remained through life. Whatever duties he assumed were discharged with singular diligence, skill, and efficiency. He m. in Leominster, April 8, 1804, and had a family of 9 chn. His highly useful and honorable career came to a close April 5, 1860, at the age of 84 yrs., 4 mos.

[6.] BIGELOW, JOSHUA⁴, bro. of the last, m., April 11, 1764, Margery, dau. of Dea. Ezekiel and Susannah (Morgan) Knowlton of Shrewsbury. He succeeded to the est. of his f., upon which he res. some 25 yrs., selling the bulk of it, two small lots on Main St. having been previously disposed of, to his bro. Jabez, Nov. 15, 1790, shortly bef. leaving tn. He rem. hence to Worc., Otsego Co., N. Y., whither his eldest s. had already gone, and where it is sup. he remained till his d. Nothing more has been learned of him or his fam. Chn.:

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| 18. JOSHUA ⁵ , b. April 6, 1766; m. Rhoda Bowman; res. Worcester, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. 1835. | 20. ELIEZER ⁵ , b. Dec. 26, 1769. |
| 19. MARY ⁶ , b. March 16, 1768. | 22. LYDIA ⁵ , b. Oct. 21, 1775. |
| 21. REBECCA ⁵ , b. May 3, 1772. | 24. MARGERY ⁵ , b. June 21, 1781. |
| 23. GIDEON S. ⁵ , b. Dec. 25, 1777. | |
| 25. SUSANNAH ⁵ , b. Aug. 25, 1786. | |

[7.] BIGELOW, JABEZ⁴, youngest s. of Eliezer³ and Mary (Fiske) Bigelow, m. Deborah Knowlton, sr. of Margery above, Oct. 5, 1760, and set. on lot No. 3, bounded S. W. and N. W. by Main and Bacon Sts. respectively, which he had purchased the spring bef. of John Wheeler. He was a sold. in the Co. of Asa Whitcomb during the closing campaigns of the F. and I. War, and a minute man at the opening of the Revolution. He served at sev. times during the continuance of the conflict, attaining to the position of Lieut. under Capt. Elisha Jackson. He is said to have been at the battle of White Plains and in other engagements, and was at West Point under Arnold when he turned traitor and fled to the enemy. He was kn. by his military title during the later yrs. of his life. In 1781 and 1782 he served the tn. on the board of Selectmen, and at other times in subordinate places of honor and trust. He d. Aug. 13, 1822. His w., Deborah, d. Feb. 22, 1816. They had a large fam. as follows:

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| 26. JOHN ⁵ , b. June 22, 1762; m. (1) Mary Cowee, (2) Rebecca Cowee; res. W. |
| 27. JABEZ ⁵ , b. March 26, 1764; m. Betsey McIntosh; res. Ryegate, Vt.; 11 chn.; d. Dec. 31, 1851. |
| 28. BENJAMIN ⁵ , b. Aug. 6, 1765; m. Rebecca Bowman; res. W. |
| 29. DEBORAH ⁵ , b. May 2, 1767; m. (1) Saml. Hoar, (2) Ezra Holden; res. W.; 9 chn. |
| 30. ABRAHAM ⁵ , b. Dec. 21, 1768; m. Syrena Richardson; res. Princeton; 4 chn.; d. Dec. 8, 1802. |
| 31. SUSANNAH ⁵ , b. Aug. 22, 1770; m. Ezra Holden; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 21, 1798. |
| 32. EZEKIEL K. ⁵ , b. April 4, 1772; m. Prudence Penniman; res. W., etc. |
| 33. LUKE ⁵ , b. April 26, 1774; m. Asenath Winship; res. W. |
| 34. REUBEN ⁵ , b. Nov. 22, 1775; m. Abigail Brooks, Pn.; res. Peru, Vt.; 12 chn. |
| 35. ASA ⁵ , b. Aug. 19, 1779; m 3 times; res. W. |

[12.] BIGELOW, EPHRAIM⁵, s. of Elisha⁴ and Sarah (Goodridge) Bigelow, m., Dec. 15, 1786, Lydia Johnson and l. in tn.



many yrs. It is not kn. where he res., perhaps in the dwelling sup. to have been standing on lot No. 5 near the so-called Peniman Mill, north of the chair factory of Nichols Bros., said lot being a part of his f.'s large landed est. Whither he went when he left W. early in the present century, or what was his subsequent history has not been ascertained. The chn. b. in W. are named below, but there may have been others of a later date:

36. SUSANNAH⁶, b. March 17, 1787; m. James Bean.
37. MOSES⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1788; prob. d. young.
38. SARAH⁶, b. July 25, 1790; m. Samuel Noyes.
39. LUCY⁶, b. July 25, 1792; m. Nathan Ellick.
40. BENJAMIN G.⁶, b. Aug. 7, 1794; m. Mary Matthews; res. Vt. and Ill.; 4 chn.; d. Feb. 20, 1870.
41. RUFUS⁶, b. Aug. 19, 1796; m. Sally Pillsbury; res. Lynden, Vt.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 6, 1835.
42. SAMUEL⁶, b. May 15, 1799; m. Sally Davis.
43. LYDIA LOUISA⁶, b. May 6, 1801; m. John Drown.
44. CAROLINE⁶, b. May 31, 1803; m. Hiram Melvin.

[15.] BIGELOW, ELISHA⁵, bro. of the last, m. Lucy Benson of Hubbardston, Oct. 9, 1794, and succeeded to his f.'s est., which consisted of the homestead, lot No. 18, and outlying lands. A quiet but worthy and much esteemed citizen, neighbor, and friend. He d. March 12, 1835, a. 67; his wid. d. Oct. 29, 1843, a. 68. Chn.:

45. LUCINDA⁶, b. Aug. 19, 1795; d. Nov. 14, 1800.
46. POLLY⁶, b. Aug. 4, 1797; m. Geo. Hoar; res. Antwerp, N. Y.
47. ELISHA⁶, b. July 4, 1799; d. Sept. 15, 1800.
48. ELISHA⁶, b. Feb. 8, 1801; d. Aug. 10, 1803.
49. LUCY⁶, b. Nov. 15, 1802; unm.; d. Dec. 30, 1875.
50. Daughter⁶, {
51. Daughter⁶, { b. June 20, 1804; both d. day of birth.
52. BENSON⁶, b. Feb. 16, 1806; m. three times; res. W.
53. SARAH⁶, b. March 9, 1808; m. — Freeman; res. Ind.; no chn.
54. ALEXANDER⁶, b. Sept. 12, 1809; m. Lovisa Derby; res. W.
55. ELMIRA⁶, b. May 23, 1812; m. Elam Marsh; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; no chn.

[26.] BIGELOW, JOHN⁵, oldest s. of Jabez⁴ and Deborah (Knowlton) Bigelow, soon after attaining his majority, purchased the Garfield est., lot No. 110, where Daniel E. Hurd now res., making it his home for some 25 yrs. He m. (1), in 1789 (pub. Jan. 3d), Mary, dau. of James and Mary (Pearson) Cowee, and after her d., (2) her sr. Rebecca, the divorced w. of Jonathan Eager. After the construction of the Fifth Mass. Turnpike, which ran directly by his residence, he kept a public ho., furnishing for some yrs. entertainment for man and beast. In 1808 he sold his est. to John Dexter of Leom. and subsequently located on a portion of the old Bigelow farm, building the ho. long kn. by his name, now owned by Fred Nichols. He was a very large man physically, and d. suddenly, prob. of apoplexy or some kindred disease, June 12, 1829, a. 67. Mary, his first w., d. March 7, 1819, a. 52. Rebecca, his second w., d. Nov. 24, 1853, a. 84. No chn.

[28.] BIGELOW, BENJAMIN⁵, bro. of the last, m., Nov. 25, 1790, Rebecca, dau. of William Bowman, and set. on lot No.



42, which he bought of the executors of the will of Dea. Thomas Stearns, its first occupant. It was the place more recently owned by Job Seaver, now the homestead of Warren LaGeyet. In addition to his farming operations he started and carried on the business of brickmaking for a few yrs., some tokens of which may still be seen. In 1802, having sold his farm to Farwell Jones, he rem. to Cambridge, becoming one of its most worthy and highly esteemed citizens. He was for many yrs. the senior partner in the large, well-known, and highly successful furniture ho. of "Bigelow & Bangs," Boston,—the junior partner being his s.-in-law. His d. occurred Feb. 4, 1849, a. 83. That of his w., Rebecca (Bowman) Bigelow, April 8, 1844. They had the chn. named below in W.:

56. ESTHER HOAR⁶, b. April 28, 1791; d. Feb. 12, 1796.

57. DEBORAH K.⁶, b. May 24, 1792; m. Isaiah Bangs; 1 chd.

58. BENJAMIN⁶, b. June 8, 1794; d. July 22, 1796.

59. BENJAMIN⁶, b. May 5, 1797; d. Oct. 4, 1800.

60. THADDEUS B.⁶, b. June 3, 1799; m. (1) Polly D. Cutler, (2) Ann H. Emmons.

Thaddeus Bowman Bigelow⁶, just named, went to Cambridge with his f. when 3 yrs. of age. Sharing the advantages available to him there, he fitted for and entered Harvard College, graduating in the class of 1820. He first settled in business at Troy, N. Y., where he remained more than a quarter of a century, returning to Camb. in 1849. His ability and character gained him at once a place in the confidence of the public, securing his election to the upper branch of the city government for two years, and to a deaconship in the Evangelical Congregational Chh. In 1856 he rem. to Wisconsin, and thence, after a brief sojourn, to San Francisco, whither his chn. had already gone and were set. in life, and where he ended his days. He was twice m. and had two chn. Of him Hon. Horace Davis, Prest. of the Univ. of Cal., said, "He was a man of gentle and kindly disposition, of consistent but unobtrusive piety, with a high sense of honor and a steady self-command which never gave way to passion."

[32.] BIGELOW, EZEKIEL KNOWLTON⁵, fifth s. of Jabez⁴ and Deborah (Knowlton) Bigelow, b. April 4, 1772, m. Prudence Penniman of Braintree, perhaps sr. of William, (pub. July 12, 1793). It is difficult to determine his place of res. Unlike others of his name, he seems to have been of a roving disposition, l. in different places, but nowhere for many yrs. consecutively, as the rec. of his fam. given below clearly shows. His last days were spent in W., where he d. Aug. 25, 1835, a. 73. The place and date of his w.'s d. have not been ascertained. Chn.:

61. EZEKIEL K.⁶, b. Rindge, N. H., Nov. 15, 1794.

62. PRUDENCE⁶, b. Sterling, April 6, 1796.

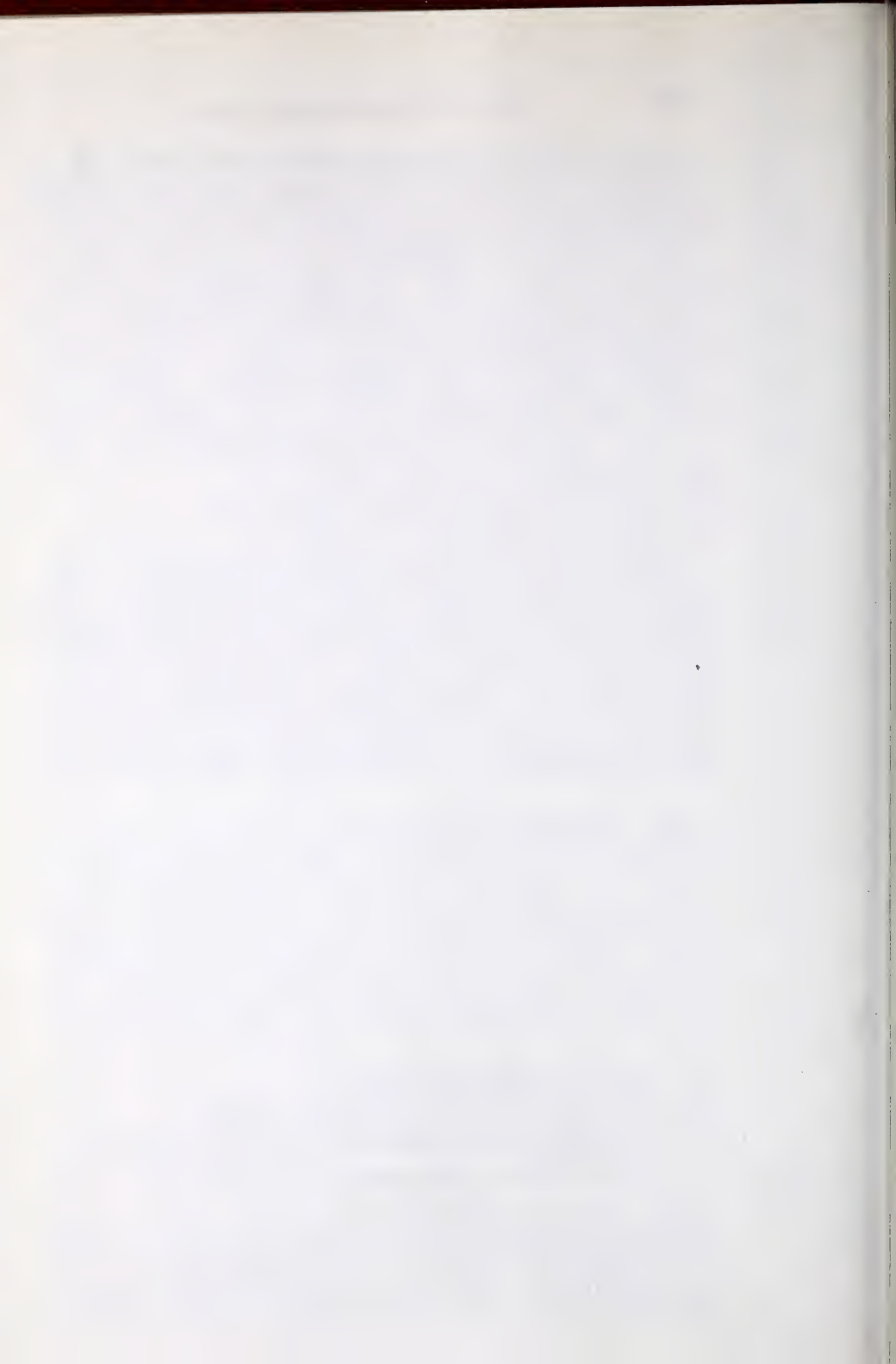
63. SALLY⁶, b. W., Nov. 30, 1797; d. unm. at W., Jan. 25, 1873.

64. LOUISA⁶, b. W., May 28, 1801; m. Bevarly Underwood; res. Quincy; 7 chn.

65. JABEZ⁶, b. Spgd., Vt., Sept., 1803; m. Eliza D. Green; res. Quincy; 10 chn.; d. July 23, 1885.

66. LORING⁶, b. Chastn., N. H., Aug., 1806; m. twice; res. Romulus, Mich.; no chn.

[33.] BIGELOW, LUKE⁵, bro. of the last, a life-long, well-known, and respectable res. of his native tn., the f. of a large and pre-eminently worthy fam. He purchased, March 10, 1796, the Jacob Walton est. on Bacon St., where he soon after located and where he spent his days subsequently thereto. He m.,

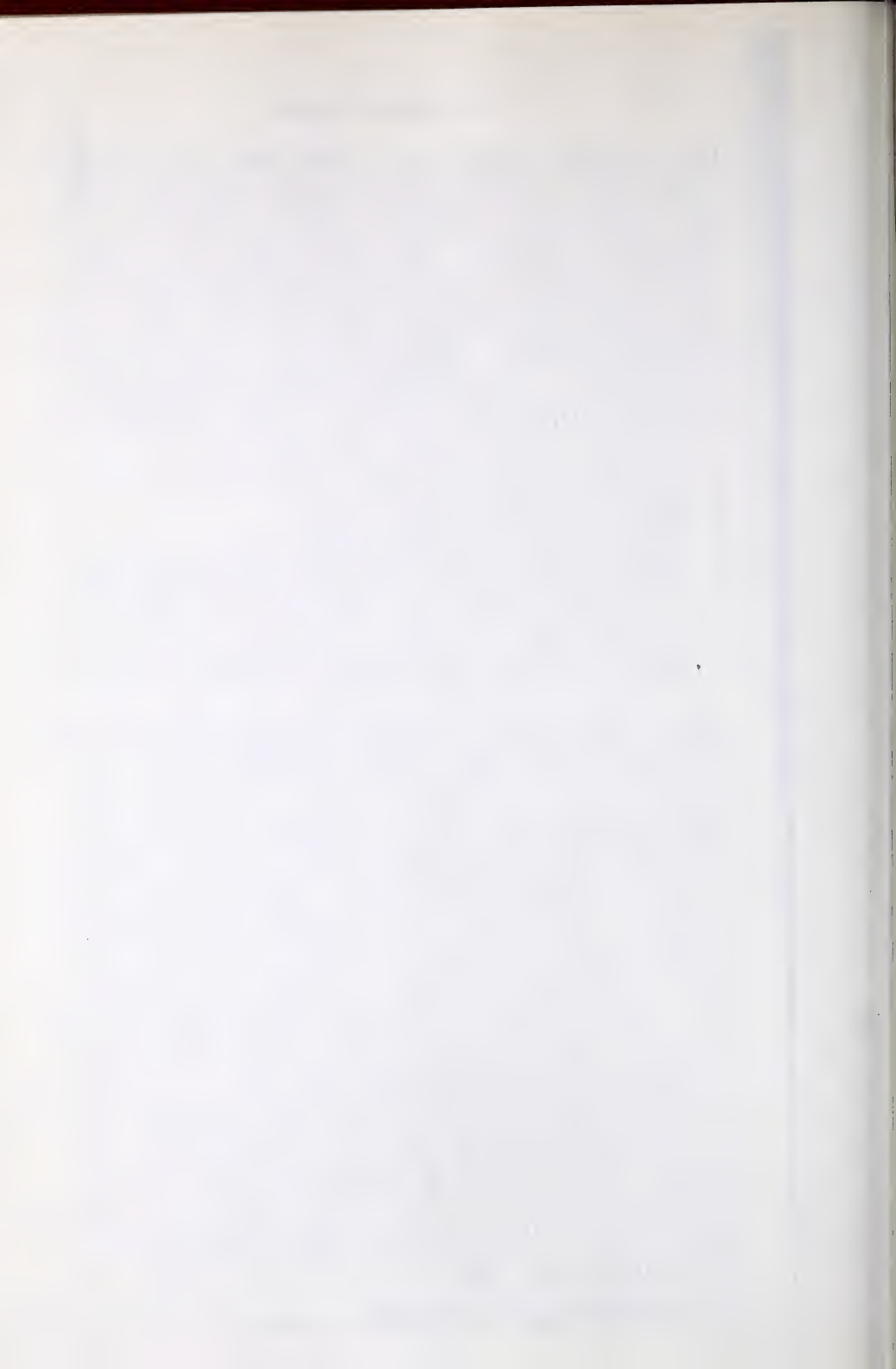


Dec. 25, 1794, Asenath, dau. of Jonas and Mary Winship, through whom a liberal infusion of musical talent was brought into the fam., displaying itself in the chn., and in the chn.'s chn. to the latest generation, its power and quality not yet exhausted or destroyed. The sons of Luke and Asenath (Winship) Bigelow have been men of high character and of excellent standing in the communities where they have l., and the daughters correspondingly worthy examples of a noble, Christian womanhood. They have all been more or less active and influential in their respective churches, and deeply interested in various causes of reform and in works of philanthropy and charity. Mr. Bigelow d. March 22, 1860, at the advanced a. of 85; his w. d. Aug. 2, 1845, a. 71. Chn.:

67. LUKE⁶, b. June 14, 1795; m. Eliza Wilder; res. Lanc.; 9 chn.; d. Oct. 20, 1872.
68. ESTHER⁶, b. Sept. 20, 1796; d. Sept. 7, 1800.
69. CYNTHIA⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1798; d. unm. Jan. 5, 1883.
70. ASENATH⁶, b. Nov. 7, 1800; d. March 21, 1803.
71. JOHN⁶, b. May 26, 1802; m. Lydia R. Starr; res. Boston; 2 chn.; d. Jan. 2, 1878.
72. ADALINE⁶, b. June 11, 1804; m. James H. Wilder; d. Feb. 25, 1850; no chn.
73. PAMELA⁶, b. Nov. 2, 1805; m. Edward Kendall; res. W.; d. Sept. 10, 1852.
74. ALANSON⁶, b. May 20, 1809; m. Anna R. Bangs; res. Camb.; 5 chn.; d. Feb. 29, 1884.
75. ABRAM O.⁶, b. Aug. 2, 1812; m. Olivia A. Dodd; res. Boston; 1 chd.; d. 1887.
76. ESTHER ASENATH⁶, b. July 13, 1814; m. Rev. W. A. Mandell; res. Camb.
77. MARIA LOUISA⁶, b. Oct. 8, 1816; d. unm. Feb. 24, 1860.

[35.] BIGELOW, ASA⁵, bro. of the last, was a prominent and honored citizen of W., succeeding to and occupying the home est. of his f. on the corner of Main and Bacon Sts., the original ho. lot No. 3. Mr. Bigelow was a man of ability and good, practical judgment, as well as of integrity and moral worth, which commended him to the confidence of his fellow-townsmen and insured him a place in important public positions. He was for sev. yrs. a member of the Board of Assessors, as he was of the Board of Selectmen. He also served upon the School Committee. He had, moreover, considerable of the military spirit and, joining the company of cavalry enlisted from sev. towns in the north part of Worc. Co., rose from the lower ranks to the position of Capt. in 1817, and thence to that of Col. in the 7th Div. 2d Brig. in 1820. His fine physique and commanding presence, together with other soldierly qualities, combined to render him an admirable and marked staff officer. Col. Bigelow, as he was called in his later life, m. (1) Sally, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer (pub. Aug. 23d), 1800, who was the mother of all his chn.; (2) Nancy Bartlett of New Braintree; and (3) Lucinda (Field) Hayward of Surrey, N. H. Col. Bigelow d. June 2, 1845, a. 65. His first w., Sally (Puffer), d. Oct. 5, 1811, a. 32; the second, Nancy (Bartlett), d. March 19, 1815, a. unkn.; and the third, Lucinda (Field), d. Jan. 16, 1849, a. 76. Chn.:

78. SALLY⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1801; d. Jan. 16, 1802.
79. SALLY⁶, b. Feb. 3, 1803; m. Simeon Sanderson and Phineas W. Reed; res. W.; 1.



80. DEBORAH K.⁶, b. Jan. 10, 1805; d. July 8, 1808.

81. DEBORAH K.⁶, b. July 23, 1808; m. R. D. Dunbar; res. Worcester.

82. MARY REED⁶, b. Feb. 22, 1811; m. Emory Bates.

[52.] BIGELOW, BENSON⁶, s. of Elisha and Lucy (Benson) Bigelow, res. upon the est. owned by his f. and gd.f. before him. 'He was a man of quiet, unobtrusive manners, but intelligent and of unquestionable integrity and Christian principle. Animated by a philanthropic spirit, he took great interest in questions of moral and social reform and in whatever pertained to the welfare and happiness of mankind. In hearty sympathy with the anti-slavery movement, he was ready to co-operate with the most radical friends of the oppressed, in behalf of universal and impartial liberty. He m. (1), May, 1833, Elizabeth, dau. of Oliver and Betsey (Grey) Hamilton of Pelham, who d. May 28, 1835; also (2), Dec. 2, 1836, Lucy, dau. of Dea. Martin and Nancy (Hunt) Wood of Littleton, who was in happy accord with him in his reformatory convictions and affiliations; and (3), June 29, 1863, Mrs. Charlotte (Rice) Dow, dau. of William and Charlotte (Whitman) Rice of Sudbury. Lucy, his second w., d. Dec. 23, 1859; he d. Jan. 28, 1880, a. 73; his last w., Charlotte, d. in Maynard, July 25, 1890, a. 74. Chn.:

83. MARY JONES⁷, b. Feb. 3, 1834; m. Jos. A. Priest; res. Littleton; 7 chn.; living.

84. NANCY ELMIRA⁷, b. Dec. 7, 1851; d. Feb. 16, 1864.

85. EDWIN BENSON⁷, b. Sept. 1, 1855; unm.; res. unknown.

[54.] BIGELOW, ALEXANDER⁶, bro. of the last, m. Lovisa, dau. of Joseph and Lovisa (Calef) Darby (pub. Nov. 8, 1833). He located on a portion of the paternal est. near his bro. Benson, where he had a small chair shop in which he gained a livelihood. In his more advanced yrs. he devoted himself to the cultivation of his little farm. He led a quiet life, sharing the well-deserved respect of his friends and fellow-townsmen. His days came to an end July 1, 1892, at the a. of 82. His wid. is still l. Chn.:

86. HARRIET AMELIA⁷, b. Aug. 15, 1835; m. Farwell Morse; res. W.

87. SARAH ELIZABETH⁷, b. Nov. 26, 1844; m. Albert H. Hastings; res. W.

88. FRANCIS B.⁷, b. Feb. 16, 1852; m. Charlotte H. Burnet; res. W.; no chn.

I. BLACK, WILLIAM JAMES, s. of Adam and Susan (Conley) Black of Westboro', was b. Aug. 3, 1853. He m., Dec. 12, 1878, Luna Josephine, dau. of Lansford and Almira R. (Everett) Harrington, Pn., where they res. awhile; rem. to W. in 1884, and locating on the so-called Reed Merriam place in the south part of the town. They have 4 chn.:

2. CARLTON LANSFORD, b. Pn., Sept. 14, 1882.

3. HARRY WILLIAM, b. W., Aug. 30, 1885.

4. SUSIE MAY, b. Jan. 5, 1888.

5. EVERETT H., b. Aug. 4, 1890.

I. BLAKE, BENJAMIN, was s. of Daniel and Keziah (Dunster) Munjoy, b. Jan. 26, 1804. By special act of the Legislature of



1850, his name and that of his fam. was changed to the one by which they have been kn. for the past 42 yrs. He was pub. to Dolly, dau. of Joseph and Betsey P. Perry, April 22, 1826. He subsequently set. on the little place now occupied by his unm. s. and dau. He d. Aug. 1, 1885, a. 81; his wid., Jan. 12, 1886, a. 84. Besides 3 chn., unnamed, who d. in infancy, they had:

2. EDWIN, b. Sept. 17, 1827; m. Louisa R. Kelley; res. Fg.; has chn.
3. FRANCIS, b. Nov. 13, 1832; m. Poole; in reg. army; k. No. Anna, June 17, 1864.
4. CALVIN E., b. Oct. 25, 1835; res. W.; unm.
5. SARAH E., b. Jan. 25, 1838; res. W.; unm.
6. DANIEL P., b. March 19, 1842; m. Melissa Newhall; res. Fg.; has chn.
7. HARRIET E., b. Nov. 28, 1845; m. Sam. J. Jewett; res. Pn.; no chn.

I. BLODGETT, ISAAC, s. of Abraham of Shelburne, b. ab. 1749, bought of Benjamin Howard lot No. 90, 2d Div., April 9, 1777. It was situated in N. W. part of the tn. and bounded on Gr. and Ash. lines. The site of the buildings is easily recognized at this date although they disappeared long ago. (See A. H. No. 20.) Mr. B. is said to have been a Rev. sold., serving at the seige of Boston not long before coming to W., being then a res. of Ash. He m. Persis, dau. of William and Hannah Whitcomb of Harvard, in 1773. He d. Jan., 1824, a. 75; date of wid.'s d. unkn. Chn. so far as kn.:

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| 2. ELIAS, b. Nov. 26, 1783; res. W. | 3. JAMES. |
| 4. JONATHAN. | 5. JONAS, m. Polly Blair; res. Vt. |
| 6. NATHANIEL. | 7. BETSEY. |
| 8. PERSIS. | 9. HANNAH. |

[2.] BLODGETT, ELIAS, s. of the last and the only one who set. in W., res. a few yrs. at Peru, Vt., and Ash., but ret. to l. with his f. and succeeded to the homestead. He was a mechanic as well as farmer, working somewhat at chairmaking. He m. his cousin, Relief, dau. of Elias Whitcomb, Ashby, but d. in mid-life, Jan., 1825, a. 41, soon after which his remaining fam. left tn. His w. d. Ash. May 31, 1849, a. 67. Chn.:

10. ELIAS, b. June 27, 1807; m. twice; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; living.
11. LUCY, b. July 31, 1809; m. John W. Wallace; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; living.
12. FARWELL, b. April 10, 1812; d. Nov. 15, 1819.
13. MARY, b. Feb. 21, 1814; m. James Blodgett; res. Ash.; 7 chn.
14. ISAAC, b. May 15, 1816; d. May 19, 1816.
15. PERSIS, b. May 15, 1816; d. May 18, 1816.
16. SARAH, b. May 5, 1817; res. Ash.; unm.; living.
17. HARRIET, b. Aug. 8, 1819; res. Ash.; unm.; living.
18. LUCINDA, b. Jan. 2, 1823; d. Feb. 26, 1823.

BOLTON.

This is one of the oldest names in English history. It seems to have been originally employed as a local term on account of some real or supposed meaning it possessed, and was applied to a certain manor, parish, or township in Lancashire, a few miles north of Manchester, before the time of the Conquest in 1066. It was similarly used at a remote period in other parts of the kingdom. To this fact it was principally due that it became



in the course of time a designation for an individual or a family, and so found its way into the vocabulary of surnames existing in both the old and new world. The first man who bore it, so far as ascertained, was Oughtred de Bolton, who lived in 1135, and who is said to have been a lineal representative of certain old Saxon earls of two or three centuries before. Whether or not the American Boltons descended from him has not been determined, nor indeed has any connection been made between them and the old English stock from which they sprang.

The family was not one of the those migrating at an early date to these shores. The name does not appear in the annals of New England until nearly, or quite, a century after the landing at Plymouth. In 1720 or 1721 William Bolton¹ is found at Reading, where he married Elizabeth, dau. of John and Sarah White of Andover, and settled down to domestic and social life in that already somewhat important township. Whence he came, no one can tell. But he was there, and is generally believed to be the first of the name coming to these shores, and with him this record begins. Little has been learned of him save that he d. very soon, Sept. 10, 1725, leaving two sons as the sole representatives of the family in the second generation. Of these two sons the eldest, William², m. Mary, whose surname is unknown, and had ten children. He first settled in Reading, where it is probable his children were b., but later in life removed to Shirley, spending there his remaining earthly days. Two of his sons settled in W., and they will be noticed in the order of their seniority.

1. BOLTON, EBENEZER³, third s. of William and Mary just named, was b. in Reading, Jan. 21, 1749. He m. (1) Elizabeth Damon of Reading, ptge. unkn., Feb. 20, 1771, and took up his res. in W. 2 yrs. afterward, locating in the S. W. part of the tn., within the limits of what 10 yrs. later was set off to Gr. He was a corp. in the company of Capt. Edmund Bemis at the battle of Bunker Hill, and a private under Capt. Elisha Jackson in the company that went to Bennington at the time of the alarm occasioned by an attack, in Aug., 1777, of a detachment of Burgoyne's army upon the patriot troops stationed at that place. His w., Elizabeth, the mother of his chn., d. at an unkn. date and he m. (2), April 16, 1822, Hannah, wid. of Francis Barnes of W., who survived him. He d. in 1835, a. 86; his wid d. July 4, 1849, a. 95. Chn.:

2. BETSEY⁴, b. Rg., Aug. 9, 1771; m. Nathan Taft; res. Nelson, N. H.; chn.

3. ESTHER⁴, b. W., Dec. 18, 1773; m. Joseph Baker.

4. TERUSHA⁴, b. Oct. 17, 1775; m. Silas Holt.

5. ABRAM⁴, } twins; b. unascertained; d. infancy.

6. ASA⁴,

7. EBENEZER⁴, b. W., Feb. 14, 1778; m. LINDAY Leland; res. Gr.

[7.] BOLTON, EBENEZER⁴, succeeded his f. on the homestead in the southern part of Gr. He m. LINDAY, dau. of Simeon and Rhoda (Hill) Leland of Gr. He d. July, 1850, a. 72. Chn.:

8. HOLLIS⁵, b. Dec. 1, 1799; m. Betsey Sawin; res. W.

9. HORATIO N.⁵, b. May 25, 1806; m. Mary Waite; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; d. Nov. 15, 1838.

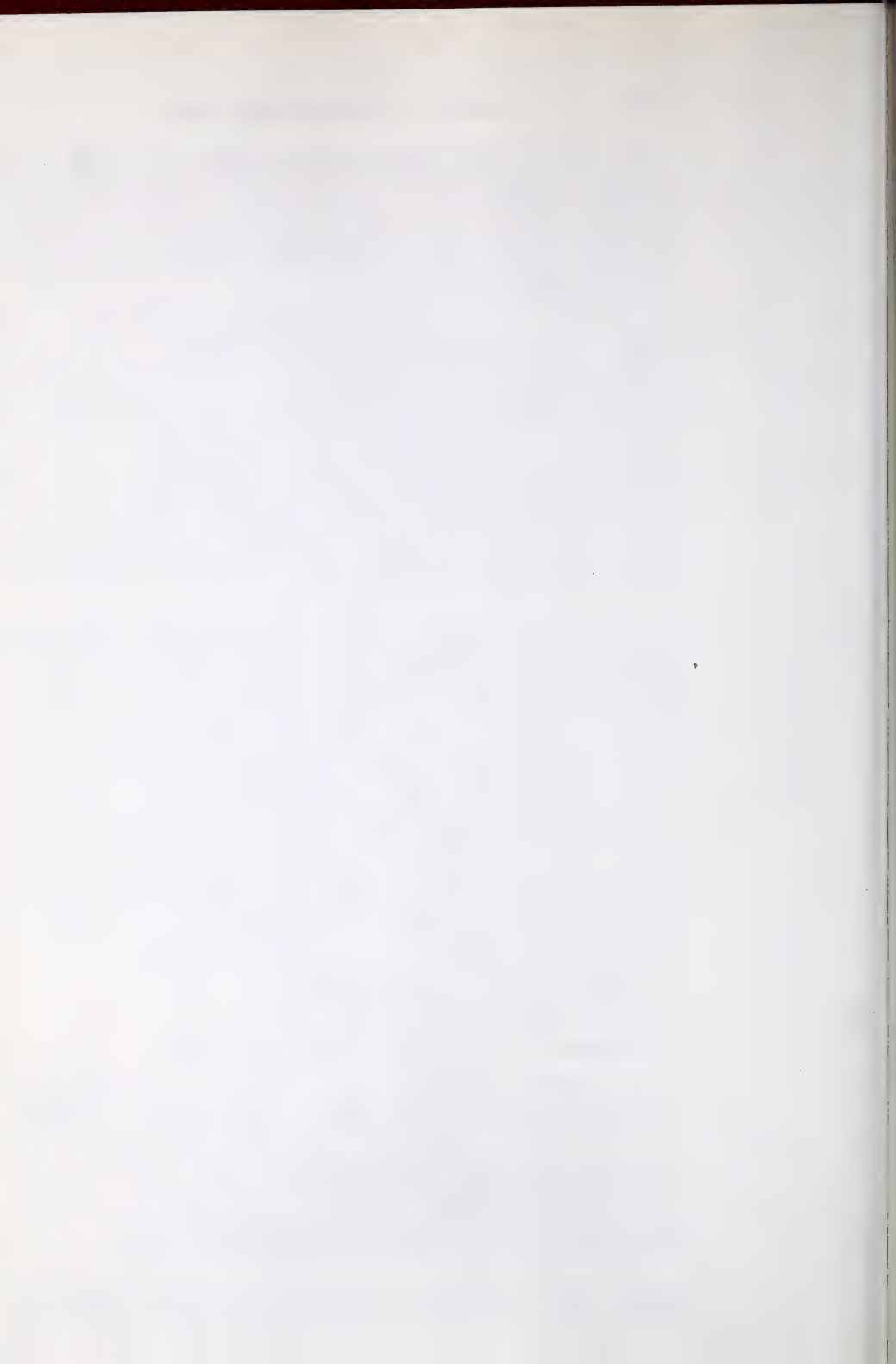
10. EMILY⁵, b. Feb. 26, 1814; m. twice; res. Gr.; no chn.; living.

11. RANSOM⁵, b. May 2, 1817; m. Fidelia W. Travers; res. Gr.; d. Oct., 1844.

12. RHODA⁵, b. Dec. 24, 1821; m. Ezekiel Adams; res. Gr.; 4 chn.

13. BELARMIN⁵, b. Oct. 10, 1824; m. Jane Coleman; res. Gr.; 3 chn.

[8.] BOLTON, HOLLIS⁵, s. of the last, m., June 4, 1822, Betsey, dau. of Stephen and Lydia (Bemis) Sawin and set. on



the est. of his w.'s stepf., Levi Graves, in the south part of W. After the dec. of Mr. Graves he rem. to the Edmund Barnard place, at the foot of Wachusett, where he afterward l. At the time of his d., Jan. 18, 1892, he was the oldest inhabitant of the tn., being in his 93d year. His w., Betsey, d. Feb. 18, 1887, a. 86. Chn.:

14. CHARLES HARRISON⁶, b. June 24, 1822; m. Martha —; 2 chn.; res. Wash.
15. SIMEON L.⁶, b. Nov. 27, 1823; m. Mary N. Reed; res. W.
16. FRANKLIN E.⁶, b. May 24, 1825; m. Abbie Harrington; res. W.
17. ALMOND AUGUSTUS⁶, b. Dec. 28, 1826; res. Akron, O.
18. AARON S.⁶, b. April 3, 1828; m. twice; res. W.
19. S. NELSON⁶, b. Aug. 20, 1829; living at Jamestown, N. Y.; unm.
20. EVELINE ELIZABETH⁶, b. May 6, 1831; d. unm. Oct. 14, 1853.
21. ANDREW JACKSON⁶, b. Jan. 17, 1833; m. wid. Mary F. (Brown) Sawtelle; res. W.
22. HENRY CLINTON⁶, b. May 20, 1834; m. Frances Reed and Annis Phillips.
23. ALONZO DAVIS⁶, b. Dec. 17, 1835; m. Marion Hobbs; res. W.; living.

[15.] BOLTON, SIMEON L.⁶, s. of the last, m. Mary N., dau. of David and Polly (Smith) Reed, pub. Dec. 3, 1848. He worked for some yrs. as chairmaker, but finally set. with his f. and succeeded to his est. In 1873 he projected "Wachusett Park," an attractive place of summer resort, picnic parties, etc., on the borders of Wachusett Pond. Chn.:

24. HENRY J.⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1854; unm.; res. W. at the old homestead.
25. ELIZABETH J.⁷, b. April 12, 1856; m. Ellis G. Whitney; res. W.; no chn.

[16.] BOLTON, FRANKLIN E.⁶, bro. of the last, m. in Rutland, 1850, Abbie, dau. of John and Abigail F. Harrington, a native of W., and after res. in Pn. awhile ret. here, locating in the central village. He is a mechanic, and a reputable and honored citizen, having served on the Board of Selectmen 3 yrs. Himself and w. are both l. They have 1 chd.:

26. CHARLES F.⁷, b. July 9, 1851; m. Emma J. Sanders, Nov. 17, 1881; res. Fg.

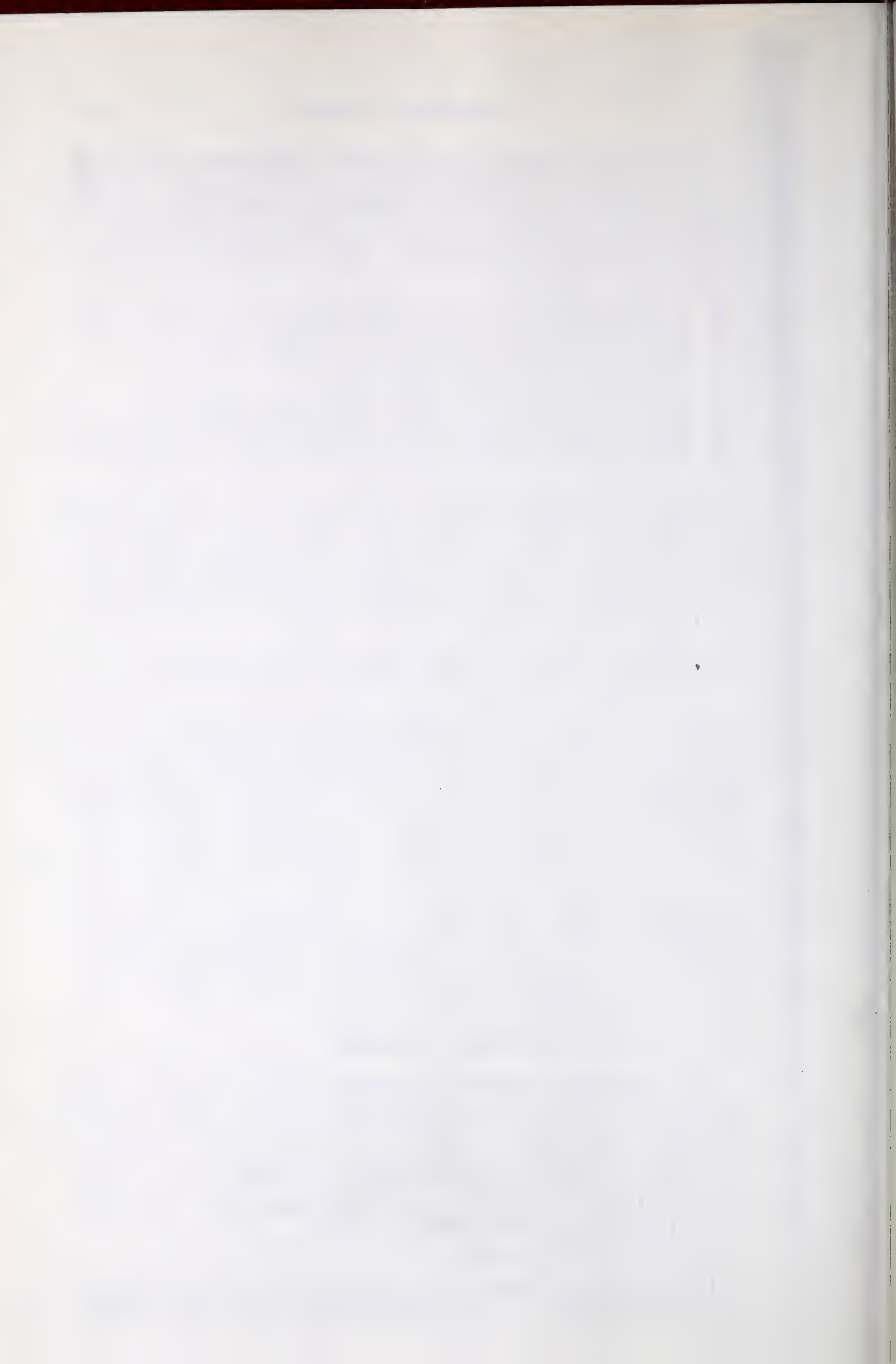
[18.] BOLTON, AARON S.⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Lois Hobbs, Pn., 1856. She d. Dec. 15, 1860, and he m. (2), May 4, 1866, Evelyn D. Allen. They res. in W., where he d. Oct. 17, 1871, a. 43. He was a sold. in the War of the Rebellion. By his first w., Lois, he had 2 chn.:

27. JACKSON M.⁷, b. May 23, 1857; res. W.; unm.
28. NELLIE E.⁷, b. Nov. 22, 1858; m. — Martin.

[21.] BOLTON, ANDREW J.⁶, another bro., spent some yrs. of his earlier manhood in California, but ret. at length to his native tn. where he m., July 28, 1870, wid. Mary F. (Brown) Sawtelle, who d. Dec. 23, 1888, a. 57. He has been active in tn. affairs, receiving repeated tokens of confidence and honor from his fellow-citizens, serving as Selectman 6 yrs. and filling other positions of responsibility. 1 chd.:

29. LESTER A.⁷, b. Nov. 19, 1881.

[22.] BOLTON, HENRY C.⁶, another bro. was pub. to Frances A., dau. of David and Fanny (Gill) Reed, Oct. 8, 1856. She d.



July 16, 1857, leaving an infant chd. After res. in W. a few yrs. he rem. to Jamestown, N. Y., where he m. again and still res., a much respected citizen. Chd. b. W.:

30. CLARA LOELLA⁷, b. July 4, 1857; d. Nov. 29, same year.

[23.] BOLTON, ALONZO D.⁶, youngest s. of Hollis and Betsey, m., July 3, 1857, Marion, dau. of Micah and Elizabeth P. Hobbs of Pn. He is a painter by trade and res. on the old Common. Chn.:

31. FRED R.⁷, b. Nov. 13, 1858; m. Sarah E. Merriam; res. W., etc.

32. CARRIE E.⁷, b. Sept. 14, 1863; m. Nathan R. Besse; 1 chd.

[31.] BOLTON, FRED R.⁷, s. of the last, m. Sarah E., dau. of Joel and Elmina (Perkins) Merriam, Dec. 25, 1880. They res. in W. awhile then rem. to Keene N. H., where he is engaged in the boot and shoe trade. They had in W.:

33. CARL A.⁸, b. Aug. 18, 1882.

34. BOLTON, AARON³, s. of W.² and Mary, b. Reading, Feb. 12, 1753, followed his bro., Ebenezer, to W., where he m. Dorcas, dau. of Jonas and Mary Winship, April 12, 1774. He was a "minute man" in the time of the Revolution, and rose to the rank of Capt. in the State Militia afterward. He was also active in local public affairs and received repeated expressions of respect and honor from his fellow-townsmen. His large fam. consisted of 7 daughters, who l. to maturity, m. and became co-ordinately with their husbands heads of highly respectable households in this and neighboring towns, and 1 s. who d. in early childhood. Capt. Bolton res. in the N. W. part of the tn. near the present dwelling of Leonard Smith. (See A. H. No. 16.) He d. April 29, 1837, a. 84, leaving no one to bear his name down to coming generations. His w., Dorcas, d. May 5, 1826, a. 71. Chn.:

35. DORCAS⁴, b. Sept. 25, 1778; m. Samuel Clark; res. Ash. and W.; 6 chn.; d. July 19, 1829.

36. HANNAH⁴, b. June 26, 1783; m. Moses Thurston; res. W. and Vt.; 6 chn.

37. EUNICE⁴, b. Aug. 9, 1786; m. Joseph Jackson; res. Temp.

38. NANCY⁴, b. July 31, 1788; m. Josiah Jackson; res. W.; 7 chn.

39. MARY⁴, b. May 21, 1791; m. Ohio Whitney; res. Ash.; 13 chn.

40. LOUISE⁴, b. Jan. 8, 1794; m. Caleb Wilder; res. W. and Vt.; sev. chn.

41. MATILDA⁴, b. Nov. 21, 1796; m. Nehemiah Shumway; res. W.; 6 chn.

42. AARON⁴, b. Oct. 9, 1800; d. Jan. 22, 1803.

BOND.

Among the early settlers of Watertown was William Bond¹, a son of Thomas and Elizabeth, sometime of London, and the head of a numerous progeny scattered far and wide through the land. By his first w., Sarah Bruce, he had among other chn. Thomas², whose s., William³, was f. of Benjamin⁴ of Weston, who m. Abigail, dau. of Dea. Joseph Mixer of Waltham, May 4, 1738. Of this union was

I. BOND, THADDEUS⁵, b. Nov. 17, 1751. He came to W. ab. 1780. and bought, April 30, 1781, lot No. 55, 1st Div., now

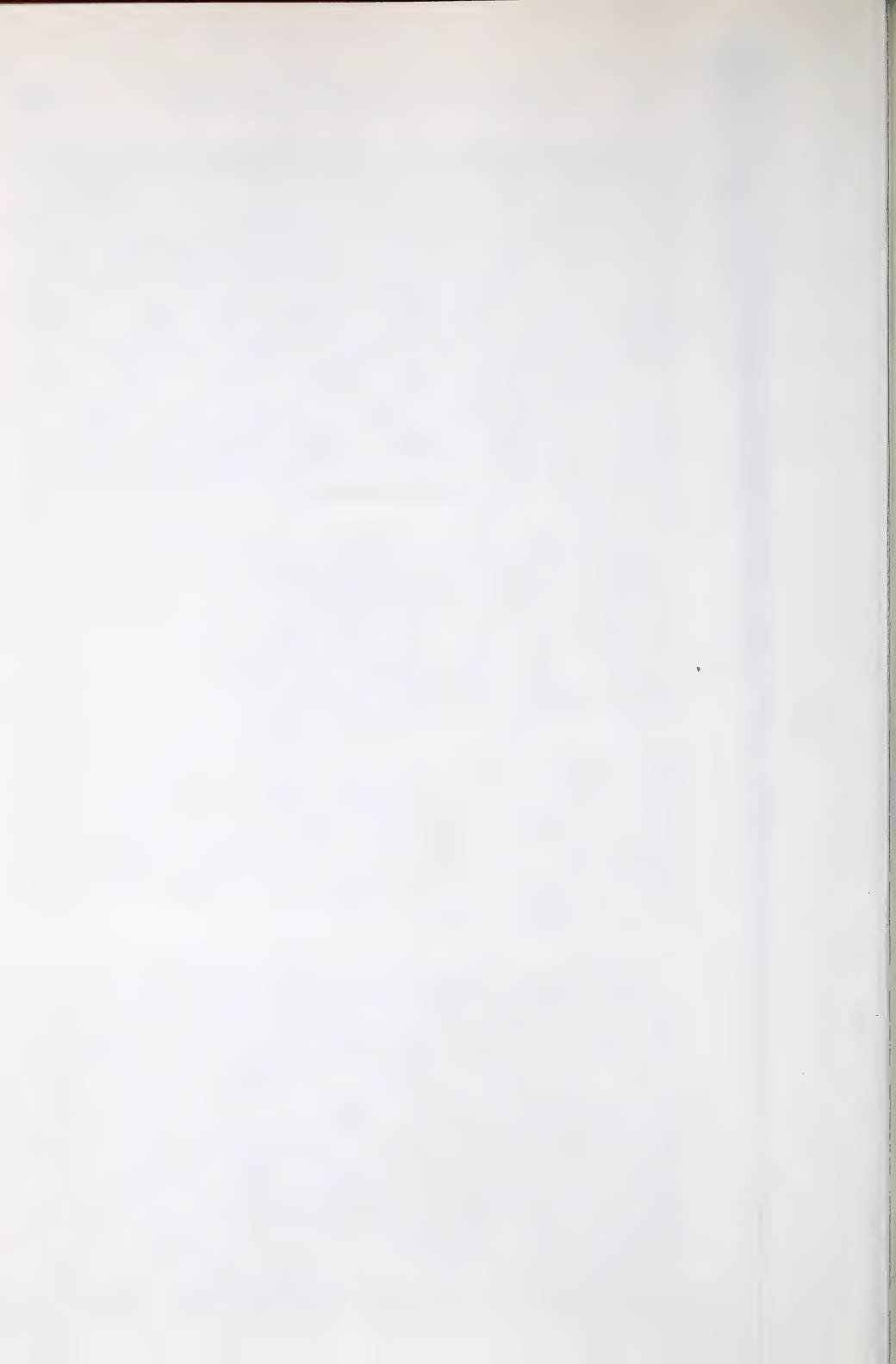


occupied by Daniel G. Newcomb, of Nathan Pierce, the first settler upon it. Ab. this time he m. (1) Rebecca, whose fam. name is unkn. and who d. Nov. 3, 1787, a. 32. He m. (2) Relief Damon of East Sudbury (Wayland), to whom he was pub. June 17, 1788. He was an enterprising, self-reliant, public spirited man of great executive ability and moral worth. He served 5 yrs. as Selectman and was otherwise honored by his fellow-townsmen. Interested in military affairs and possessed of soldierly qualities, he rose from the ranks to the distinction of Col., whereto he was commissioned in 1795. He had a large fam., mostly daughters. He d. Oct. 27, 1831, a. nearly 80. Relief, his second w., d. April 21, 1816, a. 52. A third w., Mary (Pierce), wid. of Oliver Jackson, whom he m. Dec. 17, 1819, d. March 16, 1833, a. 72. His mother, who spent her last days with him, passed away April 13, 1813, a. 97. His chn. were:

2. REUBEN⁶, b. Feb. 23, 1783; m. Melinda Mayo; res. W. and Orwell, Vt.
3. LOIS⁶, b. Feb. 13, 1785; m. Aaron Rice; res. Sudbury.
4. REBECCA⁶, b. Aug. 18, 1789; m. Reuben Bruce.
5. DAVID⁶, b. Aug. 13, 1791; d. April 21, 1796.
6. NANCY⁶, b. Nov. 6, 1793; m. Edward Rice; res. Sudbury.
7. RELIEF⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1796; d. unm. Jan. 23, 1877.
8. POLLY⁶, b. Feb. 16, 1798; m. Sewall Barnes; res. W.
9. BETSEY⁶, b. April 4, 1800; m. Reuben Fenno; res. W.
10. SUKEY⁶, b. May 8, 1802; m. Jonas Miller; res. W.
11. LUCY⁶, b. May 2, 1804; m. John Roper; res. Pn.
12. MARTHA⁶, b. July 20, 1809; m. Thomas Damon; res. W.

[2.] BOND, REUBEN⁶, the only s. of the last who l. to maturity, was pub. to Melinda Mayo, Fg., Nov. 26, 1809. The same yr. he bought the fulling mill property in the rear of where Oscar B. Raymond now l. and prob. res. there while he remained in tn. In 1816 he sold to Jesse Stone of Marlboro', N. H., being then a res. of Orwell, Vt. No chn. rec. and no further knowledge obtained of him.

1. BOWERS, JAMES, ptge, etc., not fully established but prob. s. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Blood) Bowers of Groton, b. March 10, 1751, was in W. bef. the breaking out of the Rev. War, and served as "minute man" at the time of the "Lexington Alarm." He was at the battle of Bunker Hill under Capt. Bemis, and in 1777 enlisted for 3 yrs. in the Continental Army. He, however, was at home in Nov., 1779, when he bought at auction the John Bowen est., now Everettville, sold by order of the Provincial Congress, Mr. Bowen being a loyalist and an "absentee." Two yrs. later he sold to Joshua Everett and soon after purchased of Hananiah Rand lot No. 72, the buildings of which stood near the site of the old No. 3 Sc. ho. (See A. H. No. 97.) May 14, 1782, he m. Abigail, dau. of Seth Harrington, who bore him 2 sons. He became poor and in 1785 was confined in Worc. jail for debt. After his release he left tn.



and ere long d. His wid. m. (2) Capt. Samuel Sawin, a third w., pub. Jan. 14, 1810. Chn.:

2. JOHN, b. April 23, 1783; went to Schenectady, N. Y.
3. JAMES, went to Boston and learned printer's trade.

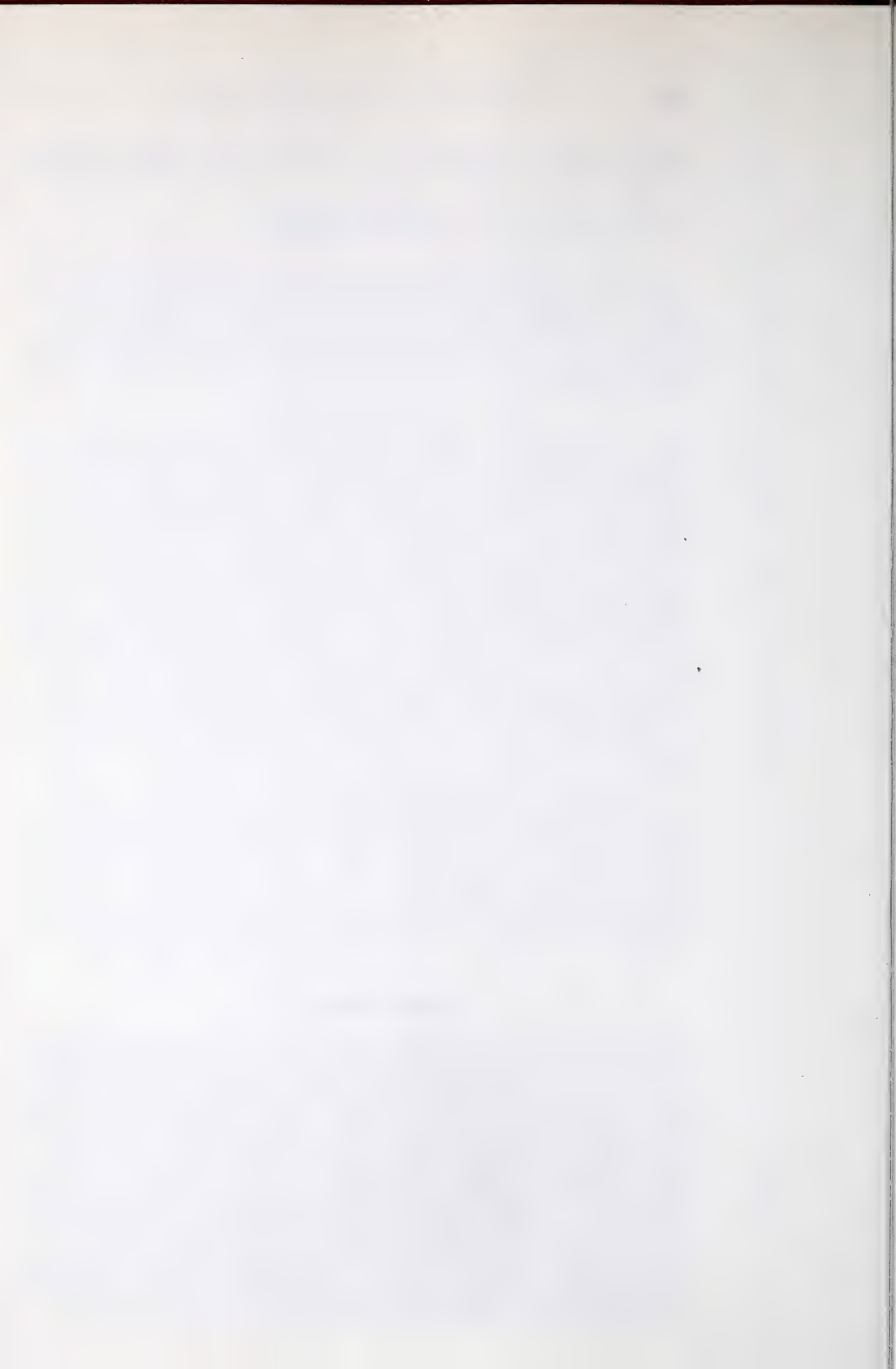
4. BOWERS, NEHEMIAH, ptge., etc., unascertained, came to W. ab. the same time as James did and was similarly connected with the opening battles of the Rev. He m. Sarah, dau. of Stephen and Abigail (Fiske) Sawin, in 1777, and res. in Rindge, N. H., where they had 8 chn. He d. in 1828, and she in 1856, at the a. of 99.

1. BOWMAN, WILLIAM, s. of Joseph and Phebe (Barnard) Bowman and bro. of Rev. Jonathan of Dorchester, was b. at Cambridge Farms (Lexington), Sept. 2, 1715. He came to Nar. No. 2 in 1742, bringing a letter of dismissal from the Lexington chh., dated Sept. 26th of that yr., and located on lot No. 16 (the Geo. Miles place), which had been drawn by his f. in the first division of lands, and for the improving and settling of which the f., prob. only an occasional res. here, was paid a bounty of £29 10s. He remained in the township ab. 9 yrs., selling the est. Feb. 23, 1751, to Joshua Mosman and returning to his native tn., where he became a prominent and influential citizen. He had no fam. when here but m., May 5, 1753, Mary Reed, by whom he had 6 chn. He d. Oct. 12, 1793, a. 78. It was in connection with him that the affair with Indians narrated on page 99 occurred.

2. BOWMAN, WILLIAM, of whom little is kn., was taxed in tn. in 1770 and some yrs. afterward. He had a s. under age for whom he was assessed, and is sup. to have been the f. of Sally who was pub. to Capt. Wm. Mills, Jan. 31, 1785; of Rebecca, who m. Benjamin Bigelow in 1792; and of Rhoda, a school teacher for sev. terms, 1791-2, and the subsequent w. of Joshua Bigelow. All efforts to learn more of the fam. have failed.

BRADBURY.

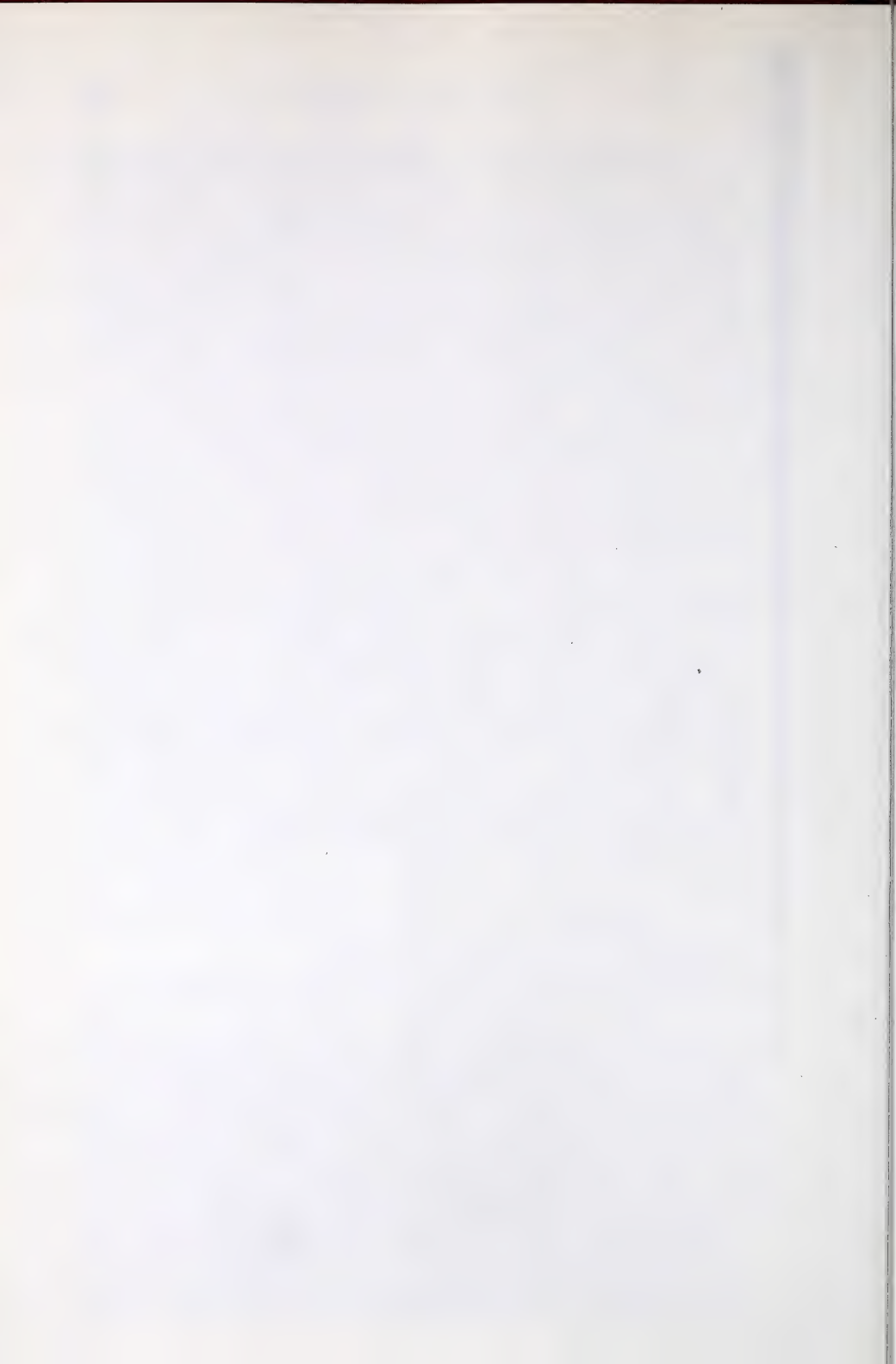
This family can be traced back by an unbroken lineage to Robert Bradbury, who lived in the eastern part of England during the first half of the fifteenth century. From him descended, in regular succession, William, Robert, Matthew, Wymond, and Thomas, the immigrant ancestor of those bearing the name in New England. He came to these shores early in the history of the Mass. Colony, and settled at Colchester, now Salisbury, near Newburyport, where he had lands assigned him in 1639, and where he became a prominent and influential citizen. He served for some years as Secretary of the township, and was Deputy in the Colonial Legislature in 1656. He was one of the few in the place who were permitted to have the title "Mr." prefixed to his name, which then indicated "character and substance." He was b. in 1610 and d. 1695. His descendants in the line of the W. branch were William² (1649-1678), William³ (1672-1756), James⁴ (1701-—), Sanders⁵ (1737-1779), who was killed in the Revolution, and James⁶ (1748-1811), who m. Catherine Conant, and resided in Hollis, N. H.



I. BRADBURY, WILLIAM SANDERS⁷, was s. of the last named pair, b. in Hollis, Feb. 14, 1800. He m., Oct. 18, 1824, Elizabeth, dau. of Daniel and Esther (Frothingham) Emerson, also a native of Hollis, b. July 29, 1800, and came soon after to W., locating at first in the extreme north part of the tn., a little eastward of the Samuel Cooper (now A. S. North) place, where he had a country store for sev. yrs. In 1829 he purchased of Samuel Sweetzer, Athol, the well-known stand so long occupied by him at the east end of the Central village. He was an active, public spirited, and much honored citizen of the tn. He was elected Representative to the General Court in 1845, in which capacity he took the initiative in securing the passage of an act making seduction a penal offence, for the protection of the young and unsuspecting against the wiles of the destroyer. In 1847 he received a commission as Justice of the Peace, and in 1850 was appointed Trial Justice for the adjudication of minor offences against the good order of the community and the laws of the Commonwealth. For 3 yrs. he was Town Clerk, served on the Board of Selectmen and as a member of the School Committee 1 yr. each, and presided over a larger number of town meetings than any other person. He was a devoted member of the First Congregational Chh., in which he was also a dea., 1858-1866. An earnest and consistent friend of Temperance, he abandoned the traffic in intoxicating liquors upon espousing the cause, emptying a considerable amount he had on hand upon the ground in attestation of his fidelity to his newly avowed principles. (See Chap. XVIII.) Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury left town in 1866, spending the remainder of their mortal lives in different localities with their chn. He d. at Shrewsbury, June 9, 1881, a. 81; she d. Oct. 4, 1870, a. 70. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH E.⁸, b. Aug. 8, 1826; m. (1) A. D. Nourse, (2) Geo. A. Gilmore, (3) I. H. Stearns.
3. WILLIAM F.⁸, b. May 17, 1829; m. Margaret Jones.
4. EDWARD E.⁸, b. Feb. 7, 1832; m. Jane S. Sykes.
5. CHARLES F.⁸, b. April 10, 1836; d. Dec. 9, 1854.
6. ESTHER C.⁸, b. June 24, 1839; m. Rev. Thos. K. Noble; res. Washington, D. C.
7. CHARLOTTE A.⁸, b. Nov. 24, 1844; m. (1) Edwin A. Eaton, (2) Herschell Main; res. Washington, D. C.

William Frothingham Bradbury. Few of the sons of W. have acquired greater distinction or done more to reflect dignity and honor upon the place of their birth than he whose name stands at the head of this paragraph. Having fitted for college in the common schools and Academy here, he entered Amherst College in 1852, graduating four years later at the head of his class. By some singular good fortune he was at once invited to take charge of the department of mathematics and physics in the High School of the city of Cambridge. Accepting the invitation, he rose to the position of Hopkins classical master in 1864, and in 1881 to that of principal, which he continued to occupy till the establishing of the Latin School, when he was transferred to the head-mastership of that institution, at which post of service he still remains. Having made an enviable reputation for himself throughout the country as a most successful teacher, he is no less widely or favorably known as the author of a valuable and extensively used series of mathematical text books, some twenty in number, and of several educational papers relating chiefly to the spelling reform and the metric system of measurements, which have attracted the attention of educators throughout the land and



won much commendation. Mr. Bradbury has been president of the Middlesex Co. Teachers' Association and also of Mass. Teachers' Association. Of considerable musical talent, taste, and culture, he was for many years connected with the management of the famous Handel and Haydn Society of Boston. He is not only a teacher and author, but a public spirited citizen, taking an active interest in municipal affairs, having served two years in the lower branch of the city government. He m. Aug. 27, 1857, Margaret, dau. of Abijah and Phebe (Cutting) Jones of Templeton. They have sev. chn., one of whom, Marion, graduated at Smith College, Northampton, in 1886, and has been an efficient teacher in the Cambridge High School.

Edward Emerson Bradbury also fitted for college in his native town, and entering Amherst with his brother William, attained to scarcely less distinction in the class of 1856, receiving in token of his scholarship the appointment of saluatorian in the assignment of parts at the time of graduation. It was "a remarkable instance," said the *Journal of Education*, "of two brothers taking the highest honors of one college class." He was for some years employed in teaching in a private school of high rank at Brooklyn, L. I., and later, 1887-9, was sub-master in the Cambridge High School. More recently he has been engaged in mercantile business at Providence, R. I., where he now resides. He m. Nov. 26, 1856, Jane S. Sykes, by whom he has had sev. chn. One of these, Alice E., is also a graduate of Smith College, in the class of 1886.

I. BRAINARD, JAMES H., ancestors unkn., was a practicing physician in tn. during the twenties. He m. Susan, dau. of Samuel and Lucy (Mirick) Richardson of Pn., Nov. 2, 1820, by whom he had 4 chn. He went from here to China, Me., where his w., Susan, d. Nov. 20, 1830. He m. again and had other chn. but no account of them has come to hand. Those by his first w., part of whom were b. here at unkn. dates, were:

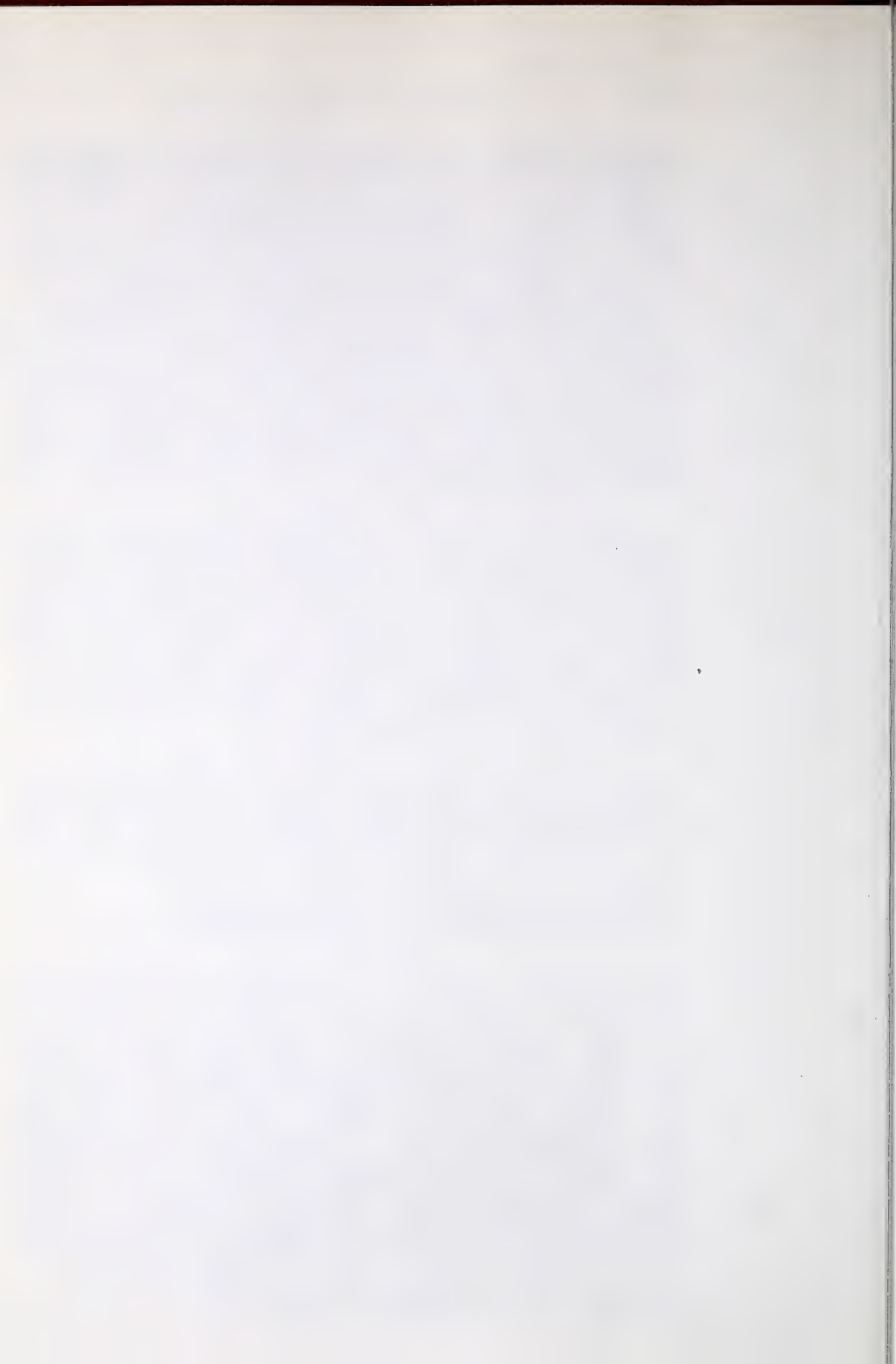
2. Unnamed; d. March 15, 1822, a. 10 mos.
3. JAMES; m. a Hale of Pn.; res. Fg.
4. WILLIAM R.; also m. a Pn. Hale; res. Fg.
5. SUSAN ANN; m. — Brooks; res. Boston.

I. BRESNAHAN, JOHN, b. Ireland, m. Mary McCarty and located in W. ab. 1850. After res. elsewhere some yrs. he purchased and set. upon the Daniel Miles farm in east part of the tn. He d. in consequence of a fall from his wagon many yrs. since, and his w. d. June 15, 1891, a. 73. Chn.:

2. PATRICK, b. bef. coming here; unkn.; lives on the Miles place.
3. MARY, b. Aug. 2, 1855; m. Lawrence Colbert; res. Fg.
4. MARGARET, b. March 21, 1859; unkn.; res. with her bro.

I. BRIDGE, SAMUEL L., s. of William and Annis (Knight) Bridge, was b. Swanzev, N. H., Nov. 15, 1816. His gd.f. was Dea. Samuel Bridge, a prominent citizen of Worc., who d. Aug. 7, 1799. Prob. a descendant of John, who came from Essex Co., Eng., with Hooker and set. in Cambridge as early as 1632. He was Dea., Selectman, Representative to the General Court, etc. His s. Matthew had Matthew, who went to Lexington, the f. of Samuel, who had a s. Samuel b. Jan. 6, 1735, possibly Dea. Samuel of Worc. Samuel L. came to W. when a young man, and m. July 16, 1840, Elizabeth, dau. of James and Eunice (Hyde) Sawin, and located first on the easterly Hub. road in the south part of the tn., but rem. many yrs. since to the Capt. Samuel Sawin place, where he and his w. still res. Chn.:

2. LUCY L., b. Nov. 19, 1861; m. J. E. Story; res. So. W.
3. LOWENZA S., b. June 29, 1863; unkn.; res. W.



BRIGDEN.

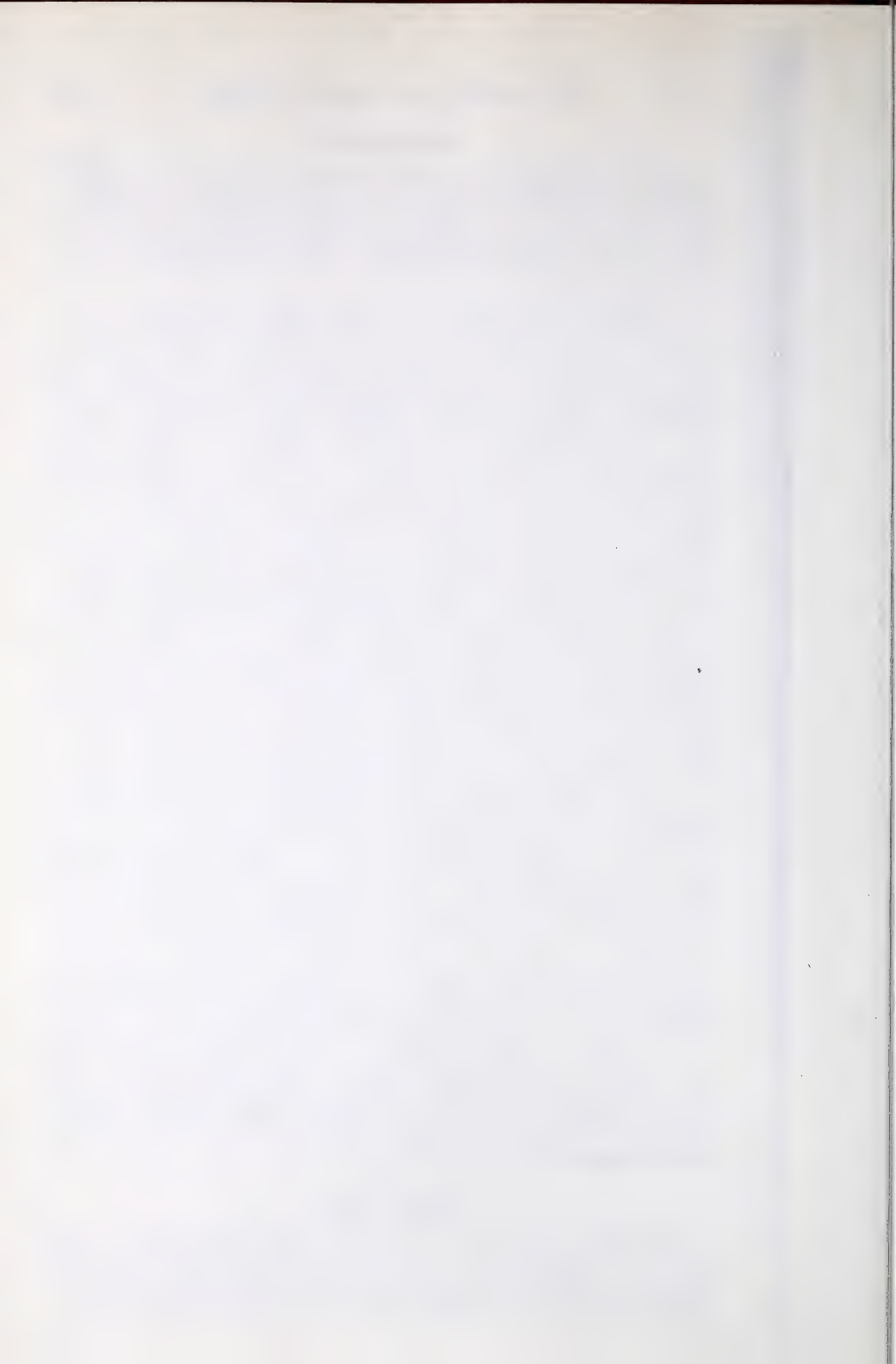
Among the passengers in the ship *Hercules*, which came to the port of Boston in early New England days, was Thomas Brigden¹, who settled in Charlestown, where his descendants for several generations continued to reside. He had a son Thomas², and by him a grandson Michael³, whose family was represented in the early history of W., attaining sufficient prominence to merit a notice in this work.

I. BRIGDEN, MICHAEL⁴, s. of the last named, was b. in Charlestown, July 11, 1698. He m. (1) Winifred Sprague, May 20, 1720, and had by her 10 chn. b. bef. 1739, in which yr., May 21st, the mother d. On the 17th of April, 1742, he m. (2) Elizabeth (Abbot), the wid. of John Gill and mother of Moses Gill, afterwards acting Gov. of Mass. By her he had 4 more chn., two of whom d. in infancy. In the report made to the General Court in 1751 it was stated that ho. lots Nos. 70 and 71 in the south part of the township, now owned mostly by Dr. Liverpool, were the property of "Micall Brigden," who had "built a good house there," and who, though not yet a resident, was "coming soon." These lots he had bought more than a dozen yrs. bef. and had made considerable improvements upon them. It does not appear that Mr. Brigden ever became a permanent inhabitant of the place, perhaps only a *summer* res., caring for and cultivating his farm, which he sold in 1761 to Joseph Hosley. He, no doubt, belonged to one of the first families of Charlestown, where he occupied positions of dignity and responsibility in the tn. and was a dea. of the chh. He d. Aug. 18, 1767, a. 69; his w., Elizabeth (Abbot), d. July 3, 1787.

2. BRIGDEN, THOMAS⁵, s. of Michael and Elizabeth (Abbot) Brigden, was b. April 14(?), 1745. According to W. rec. he m. (1), Aug. 2, 1769, Sarah, dau. of Rev. Elisha Marsh; and the next year purchased the Marsh farm on Meetinghouse Hill, where he subsequently l. His w. seems to have d. very soon, inasmuch as he m. (2) Rebecca White, Feb. 14, 1771. He is believed to have had a store on his premises, and also a potash manufactory. He was evidently a man of affairs—a man of ability, enterprise, character, and influence. He was the first magistrate in tn. and held the office of Assessor in 1771–1773, and of Selectman the last 2 yrs. He d. at Cambridge, March 17, 1774, his w. Rebecca having preceded him to the unseen land by a few months. By his will, dated Feb. 26th, he gave farm and interest in potash works to his half-bro., Moses Gill (afterwards Gov.), and the remainder to his mother, Elizabeth Brigden of Boston. No chn.

BROOKS.

The families of this name in W., however distinct they may have seemed to be, are all traceable to a common ancestor, Capt. Thomas Brooks¹, who came from London, Eng., in the early days of the Mass. Colony, and set. in Watertown, being made freeman in 1636. He soon, however, went to Con-



cord, where his descendants are still to be found, and whence some of them eventually removed to this place. His wife's name was Grace, who bore him, with other chn., Joshua², known as Dea. Joshua, whose son Daniel³ m. Anne Merriam, a distant relative of those bearing that name, who, at a later day, located in the south part of this town. Daniel³ and Anne (Merriam) Brooks had John⁴, b. Feb. 12, 1701-2, who m. Lydia —, and lived in that part of Concord which was set off to form Acton in 1735.

1. BROOKS, JOHN⁵, s. of John and Lydia, was b. in Concord Dec. 17, 1728. It is not known when he first came to this place, but he was rep. as a permanent settler in 1751. He m. Eunice, dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth Darby, being pub. Jan. 9, 1754. He was then located on lot No. 43, lying S. E. of that on which the dwelling of Geo. W. Whitney now stands. (See A. H. No. 38.) He was there but a few yrs., removing thence to lot No. 4, bounding S. W. on Main St., between Bacon St. and the Estey est., which he bought of Thomas Conant Jan. 1, 1759. Twelve yrs. later, April 9, 1771, he exchanged lands with Dr. Zachariah Harvey and rem. to his new possessions near Bean Porridge Hill, res. in the ho. located where Samuel Fiske now l. He was succeeded by his s., Ezra, well remembered by the older inhabitants. He d. Sept. 1, 1784, a. 55; his w., Eunice, d. Aug., 1817, a. 83. Their chn. were:

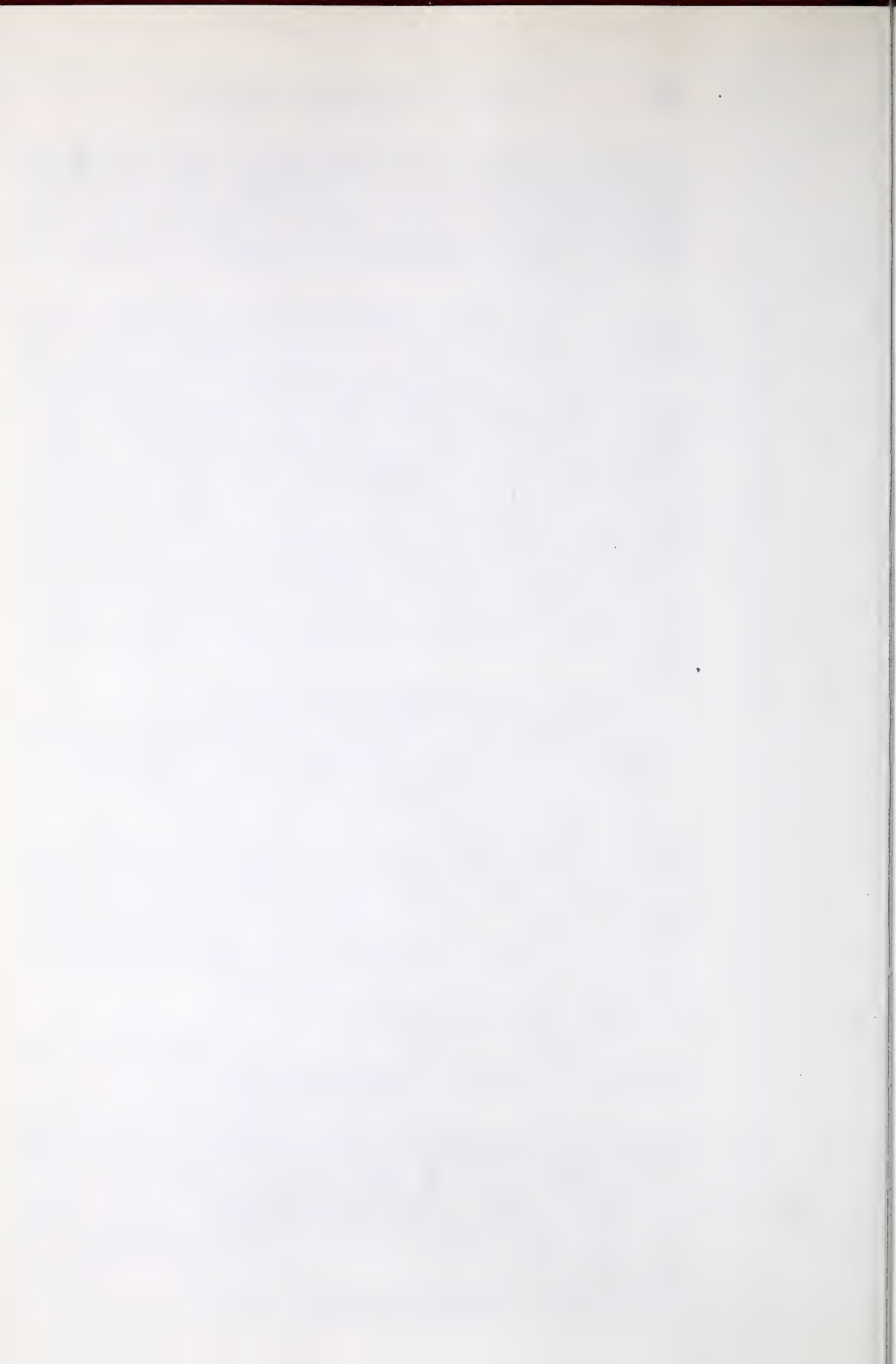
2. JOHN⁶, b. June 7, 1756; m. and res. Temp. and Winch.
3. LEVI⁶, b. July 24, 1758; m. Betsey Flint; res. Temp. and Winch.
4. ASA⁶, b. April 30, 1761; m. Rebecca Sawyer and Abigail Mills; res. Halifax, Vt.
5. SAMUEL⁶, b. July 3, 1763; m. Huldah Miles and Betsey Kemp; res. W.
6. HANNAH⁶, b. May 17, 1766; m. Jabez Sawyer; res. Fg.; d. Dec. 15, 1846.
7. EZRA⁶, b. April 16, 1768; m. Rebecca Temple and wid. Elizabeth Bush; l. W.
8. LYDIA⁶, b. July 18, 1772; m. Jesse Brown; res. Ph. and Vt.

[5.] BROOKS, SAMUEL⁶, m. (1) Huldah, dau. of Noah and Huldah (Hosmer) Miles, and set. on lot No. 79, 3d Div., which he bought of Benjamin Barnard in 1798 and which was afterward occupied by his sons Samuel and Ivers successively. His w., Huldah, d. July 14, 1794, a. 27, and he m. (2) Betsey, dau. of Samuel Kemp of Groton. He d. April 13, 1810, a. 46; Betsey, his wid., d. Jan., 1837, a. 61. Chn.:

9. EUNICE⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1791; m. Joseph Perry; res. W.
10. OLIVER⁷, b. Oct. 5, 1793; d. young.
11. SAMUEL⁷, b. July 26, 1802; m. Hannah S. Davis; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 28, 1864.
12. SALLY⁷, b. July 26, 1804; m. Benjamin Howe; res. W.
13. IVERS⁷, b. June 27, 1806; m. wid. Hannah S. Brooks; res. W.

[7.] BROOKS, EZRA⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1), April 18, 1799, Rebecca, dau. of Jonathan and Rebecca Temple, and succeeded to his f.'s est. His w. d. Nov. 24, 1825, a. 47, and he m. (2) wid. Elizabeth Bush of Bolton, Dec. 29, 1827. He had a large fam., most of whom d. early in life leaving no issue, as the rec. shows. He d. Sept. 14, 1843, a. 75; his wid. d. Sept. 17, 1868, a. 95. Chn.:

14. REBECCA⁷, b. Jan. 23, 1800; m. Levi Graves; res. W.
15. EZRA⁷, b. Aug. 22, 1801; d. Feb. 21, 1823.



16. ELMIRA⁷, b. Aug. 28, 1803; d. unm. Feb. 16, 1833.
17. JOHN⁷, b. Dec. 6, 1805; d. Sept. 23, 1828.
18. CHARLES⁷, b. June 4, 1809; d. Sept. 3, 1813.
19. ASA⁷, b. June 27, 1812; m. Sarah A. Mason; d. Feb. 28, 1855.
20. ELIZABETH⁷, b. April 12, 1815.
21. NANCY⁷, b. June 22, 1817; d. June 18, 1837.
22. CAROLINE⁷, b. Jan. 20, 1820; d. Jan. 16, 1838.

[13.] BROOKS, IVERS⁷, s. of Samuel and Betsey (Kemp) Brooks, m. Hannah S. (Davis) Brooks, wid. of his bro. Samuel, Dec. 9, 1865, remaining on the est. formerly belonging to his f. He was a shoemaker by trade, and a man of wide reading and of more than average general intelligence and intellectual ability. He erected a sawmill on his est. and for a while got out chair stock, but afterwards rented the establishment, which was destroyed by fire in 1857. Mr. Brooks is said to have owned the first fireproof safe in tn. He sold his interest in the paternal homestead Dec., 1860, removing to So. Gr., where he d. in 1891; his w. d. June 8, 1885, a. 80. No issue.

[19.] BROOKS, ASA⁷, s. of Ezra and Rebecca (Temple) Brooks, m. Sarah A. Mason of Pn., Sept. 28, 1841. He was a carpenter by trade and carried on quite a business in tn. for some yrs. He built for himself the ho. on Bacon St., now owned by John Harrington, where he res. during the latter portion of his life. He d. Feb. 28, 1855, a. 42. His wid. m. a second time. Chn.:

23. ELLEN ELIZA⁸, b. June 23, 1842; m. Jefferson Eaton; res. Worc.
24. CAROLINE⁸, b. Aug. 17, 1848.

25. BROOKS, ISAAC⁵, b. at Acton at an unkn. date, was s. of Jonas⁴, s. of Joseph³, whose f. was Dea. Joshua² bef. mentioned, making Isaac second cousin of John (1), the first of the name in tn. He left his native place for Lanc., coming thence to W. prob. in 1769, when he bought lot No. 41, 2d Div., in the extreme north part of the tn. adjoining the Laws property, upon which he set. and spent his days. (See A. H. No. 2.) His w. was Ruth Herrick of Reading, whom he m. ab. 1774. The dates of the d. of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks have not been ascertained. Chn.:

26. SAMUEL⁶, b. Dec. 12, 1775; m. Miriam Wilder; res. W.
27. ISAAC⁶, b. Sept. 20, 1778; d. April 13, 1780.
28. RUTH⁶, b. May 20, 1781; unm.; d. insane.
29. ELIAS⁶, b. Jan. 9, 1785; set. in Vt.
30. DEBORAH⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1789; m. Ephraim Flint; res. W. and Winch.

[26.] BROOKS, SAMUEL⁶, s. of Isaac⁵ and Ruth, settled on a part of his father's farm. He built a house with a shop near by in which he carried on with much success the business of cabinetmaking, taking many boys as apprentices to the trade. The remnants of his dwelling and appurtenances may still be seen. He m. Miriam Wilder of Ashby (pub. March 23, 1801), and had three sons:

31. SAMUEL⁷, b. May 12, 1802; d. Sept. 22, 1805.
32. ISAAC⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1804; d. Sept. 29, 1805.
33. SAMUEL⁷, b. Sept. 6, 1806; m. Rebecca E. Wilder; res. W. and Ash.



[33.] BROOKS, SAMUEL⁷, s. of the last, had his name changed to Ira by Act of the Legislature of 1829. He built a mill on the main stream of the most northerly valley in town, Phillips' Brook, and carried on there various kinds of manufacturing. He is said to have made the first turned bed-posts produced in this section of the country. He m. July 15, 1830, Rebecca E. Wilder of Ashby, but did not remain long here, removing to Ashburnham ab. 1835, where he spent his remaining days. He had 6 chn., two of whom were b. in W.

34. EMERSON⁸, b. Sept. 27, 1831; m. Mada Townsend; res. Burke, Vt.

35. AUSTIN⁸, b. March 6, 1833; m. Mary J. Willard; res. Ash.; 6 chn.

36. BROOKS, SIMEON⁵, bro. of Isaac⁵ (25), appears to have come to Ash. at an early date, and settled on the place now and for many years owned by Elijah Gross in the south village. He had a sawmill and was engaged in the manufacture of lumber. In 1792 he entered into partnership with Ephraim Robbins of W. and purchased the old Brattle mill at the head of the Narrows, carrying on business there for two years, when he sold out and presumably returned to A. July 20, 1780, he m. Lucy, dau. Wm. and Hannah Whitcomb of Ash., by whom he had 7 chn., most of whom were b. in that town. They were:

37. LUCY⁶, b. Oct. 17, 1781; m. Jonas Holden; res. W.

38. ASA⁶, b. June 26, 1784; m. wid. Higginbotham; res. W., etc.

39. SIMEON⁶, b. July 19, 1786.

40. LYDIA⁶, b. Oct. 22, 1788.

41. POLLY⁶, b. April 10, 1795.

42. STILLMAN⁶, b. Oct. 18, 1796; m. twice; res. W.

43. SILAS⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1798; d. Jan. 16, 1801.

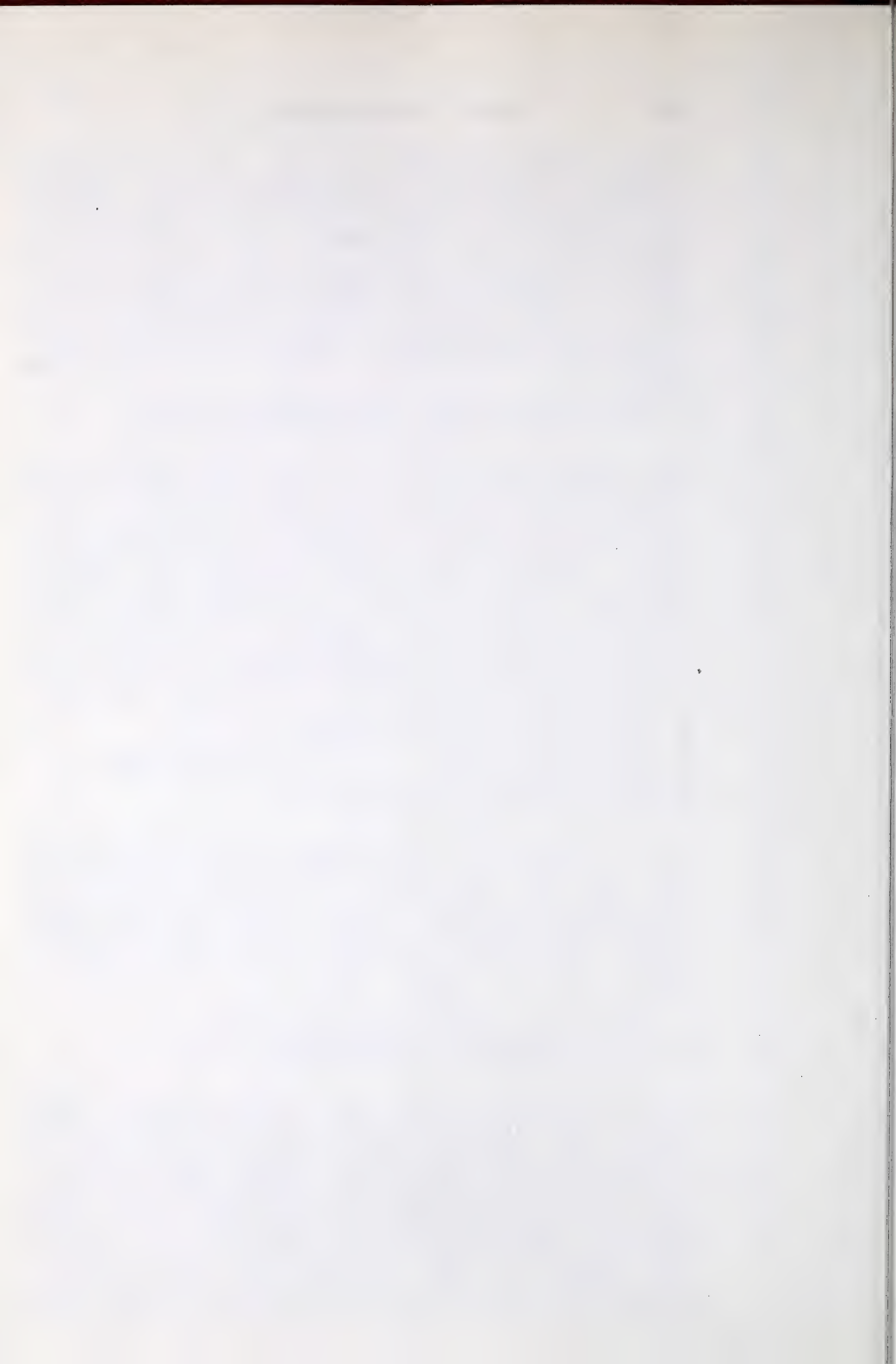
[38.] BROOKS, ASA⁶, s. of the last, came from Newton in 1814 and bought the Sawyer Mill property on Whitman's River, where he subsequently res., running a saw- and gristmill and having for some yrs. a country store. He m. wid. Sally (Bulow) Higginbotham, an English woman, bef. coming here and had 3 chn. He d. May 3, 1852, a. 67. His wid., Sally, d. Sept. 17, 1868, a. 95. Chn.:

44. ASA⁷, b. unknown; went West and mysteriously disappeared.

45. SARAH⁷, b. unknown; m. S. Newell Barnes; res. W.

46. ELIZABETH⁷, b. unknown; m. Franklin Goodwin; res. W.

[42.] BROOKS, STILLMAN⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Eunice Lewis, April 20, 1830; (2) wid. Margaret P. Chase, Aug. 14, 1842, and had 7 chn. He first settled on the place recently occupied by Samuel M. Brown, opp. his bro. Asa, but subsequently rem. to the Central village, where he had a livery stable and for many years ran an express to the R. R. station. He res. in the Sanderson ho., which stood on the site of the present res. of D. W. Hill. His first w. d. Dec. 25, 1841, a. 40. His second w. d. Sept. 30, 1872, a. 66. He d. Aug. 29, 1882, at the age of 85. Chn.:



47. ALFRED L.⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1831; d. July 8, 1832.
48. EDWIN F.⁷, b. June 8, 1833; m. Ellen E. Kendall; res. W., etc. [bellion.]
49. ALFRED L.⁷, b. July 18, 1836; m. Louisa Kendall; chn. (See Chap. on Re-
50. ALBERT E.⁷, b. July 18, 1836; d. unm. June 2, 1861. (See Chap. on Rebellion.)
51. ABBIE M.⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1838; m. Joel Pratt; res. Leom.
52. GEORGE S.⁷, b. Sept. 26, 1840; m. Mary A. Cutler; res. W., etc.
53. CHARLES D.⁷, b. May 17, 1843; m. twice; res. Brat. and Boston; 1 chd.; living.

BROWN. This name, a very common one in New England, has been variously represented in this town from an early period in its history. But it has been found impossible not only to trace any one family to its original progenitor in this country, but also to connect the different families with each other to any very great extent. No doubt there were several Browns who came from beyond the sea within fifty years of the settlement at Plymouth and located at different points, becoming the heads of distinct lines of descendants, which have intermingled with the advance of time, and to such an extent in many cases as to render extremely difficult, if not to defy, all attempts to classify and arrange them in proper genealogical order. This must account in a large measure for the more or less fragmentary and heterogeneous form in which the record of the Browns of W., as given below, appears. That record begins with the first permanent family of the name here, and follows it through the successive generations to the present day, before proceeding to chronicle what pertains to others of a more broken and transitory character.

I. BROWN, JONATHAN, was s. of Jonathan and Mehitabel (Hay) Brown of Reading, and a descendant, doubtless, of Nicholas, the immigrant, who was s. of Edward of Inkburrow, Worcestershire, Eng., and who set. first in Lynn and afterwards in Reading, the place of Jonathan's birth. The maternal grandfather of the W. settler was James Hay, an original proprietor of No. 2, drawing, in the first division of lands, lot No. 106, lying between the paper mills at Wachusettville and the res. of the late Edward R. Carter. It is quite likely that Mr. Brown first located upon this lot, occupying a house built some years before by Benjamin Gould. (See A. H. No. 57.) He was first taxed in 1764, and in 1769 a public school was kept in his house. Jan. 3, 1771, he purchased of Joseph Lynde of Charlestown, lot No. 105, lying directly south of the Hay lot, which was long known as the Brown estate, more recently in possession of Asaph Carter and his son, Edward R., recently deceased. On his way from Reading to W., Mr. Brown seems to have sojourned awhile in Leom., where he m. Huldah Hawkes. He d. March 14, 1820, a. 80. She d. Jan. 1, 1818, a. 75. Chn.:

2. JONATHAN, b. Aug. 30, 1765; m. Beulah Jackson; res. Gardner; 10 chn.; d. July 24, 1840.
3. BENJAMIN, b. March 9, 1769; m. Jemima Jackson; d. 1802.
4. JOSEPH, b. April 6, 1772; d. Sept. 11, 1777.
5. HULDAH, b. Oct. 18, 1773; m. David Wyman; res. W.
6. SALLY, b. Dec. 14, 1778; unm.; d. 1802.
7. JOSEPH, b. Oct. 13, 1780; had three wives; res. W.
8. JOHN, b. March 13, 1785; m. twice; res. W.

[3.] BROWN, BENJAMIN, s. of the last, m. Jemima, dau. of Edward and Jemima (Trowbridge) Jackson, Jan. 25, 1796. He



is supposed to have lived with his father, but his days were few and little has been learned about him. He d. 1802, a. 33. His w. d. 1804, a. 33. Chn.:

9. TIMOTHY, b. Oct. 16, 1796; d. 1800.
10. BENJAMIN, b. Jan. 14, 1799; m. Jane Farwell; res. Boston; 3 chn.; d.
11. TIMOTHY, b. Dec. 9, 1800; m. twice; res. W., etc.

[7.] BROWN, JOSEPH, bro. of the last, m. (1) Miriam, dau. Nehemiah and Submit (Bateman) Hunt of Concord; (2) Lucy, dau. Joel and Lucy (Holden) Whitney; (3) Phebe, dau. Thomas and Ann (Miles) Knowler. He settled on a part of his father's farm, the present residence of C. Elliot Wood having been built for his occupancy. He was a useful and worthy citizen. He d. March 31, 1826, a. 46. His first w., Miriam, d. Jan. 15, 1812; Lucy, the second w., d. Oct. 18, 1821, a. 30. Phebe, his wid., m. (2) Capt. Donald Goodhue of Ashby. Chn.:

12. GEORGE, b. Oct. 4, 1808; d. Jan. 13, 1809.
13. SALLY, b. May 1, 1810; m. Dea. J. T. Everett; res. Pn.; 5 chn.; d. Jan., 1847.
14. LUCY, b. July 14, 1814; m. Rev. Robert Stewart; res. Ill.; no chn.; living.
15. GEORGE, b. Dec. 11, 1816; m. Mary Perkins; res. Minn.; 8 chn.; d. April 3, 1860.
16. HULDAH, b. Sept. 8, 1818; m. Calvin Whitney; res. W.; 5 chn.; living.
17. JOSEPH, b. Sept. 23, 1820; m. Mary Everett; res. Leom.; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 3, 1890.

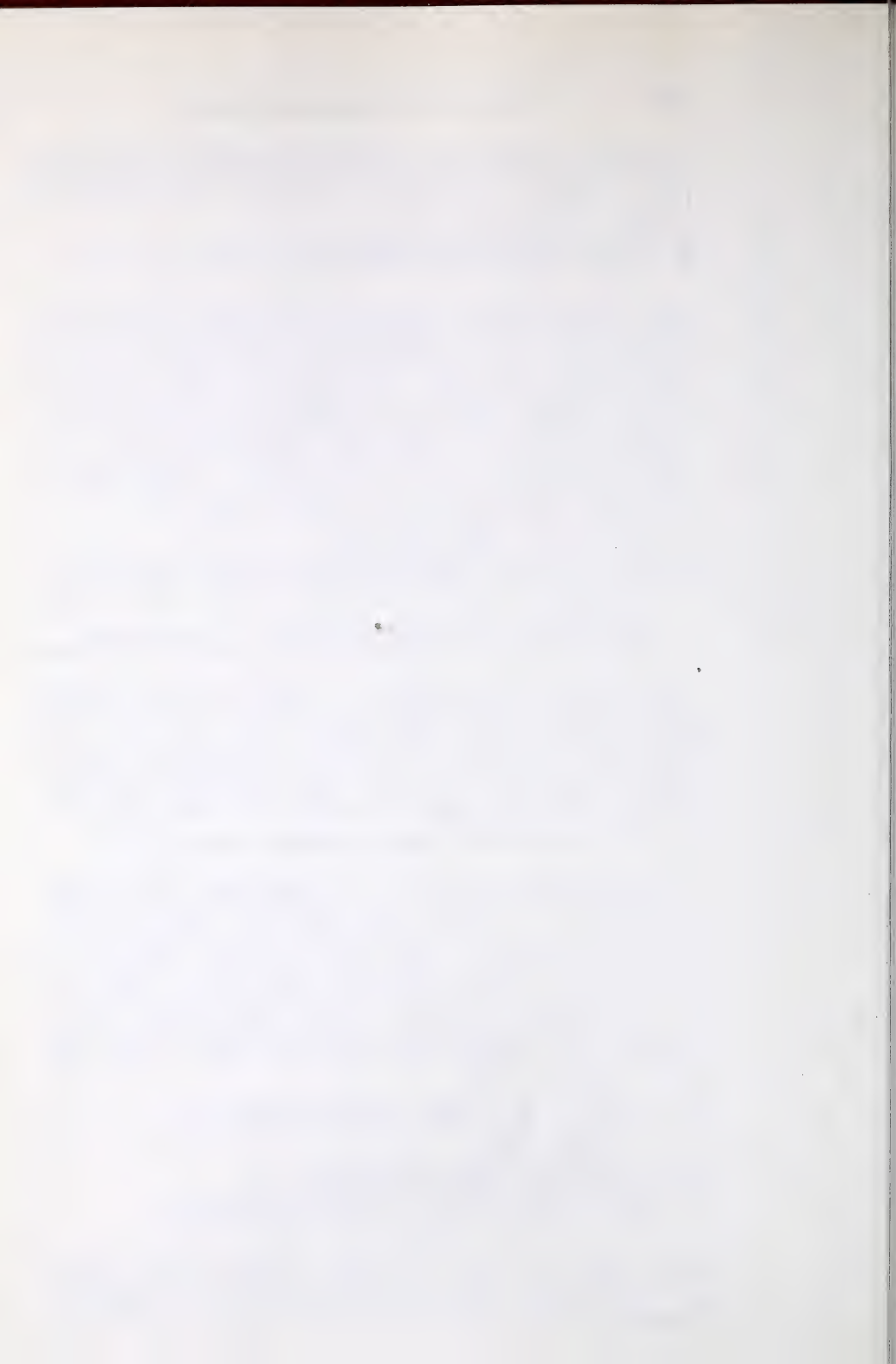
[8.] BROWN, JOHN, youngest s. of Jonathan and Huldah (Hawkes) Brown, m. (1) Nancy, dau. Thomas and Ann (Miles) Knowler, March 7, 1805. She d. July 3 following, and he married (2) her sister Sally (pub. Jan. 10, 1808), who bore him one child (posthumous). She m. for a second husband, Jonas Patch of Ashby. Mr. B. d. March 29, 1809, a. 24. The child was:

18. JOHN AUGUSTUS, b. May 8, 1809; res. Wilmington, Del.; a physician.

[11.] BROWN, TIMOTHY, s. of Benjamin and Jemima (Jackson) Brown, m. (1) Dec. 9, 1828, Abigail H. Stearns of Leom., who d. leaving 2 s. He m. (2) Eunice Lord of Westmoreland, N. H., March 15, 1842. He res. for some years at Boston, and Baltimore, Md., where he engaged in trade, but ret. later to W. and set. upon the Bemis, now Curry, place in the E. part of the town, where he spent the remainder of his life, dying April 4, 1878, a. 77. His wid., still living, res. with her dau., Mrs. Charles Nichols. Chn.:

19. TIMOTHY S., b. Jan. 7, 1830; m. and res. in Baltimore; 3 chn.
20. THEODORE, b. Aug. 5, 1833; m. Laura Libbie; res. Minneapolis; 3 chn.; d. March 15, 1888.
21. CHARLES, b. Dec. 27, 1843; d. June 12, 1844.
22. EUGENE, b. April 21, 1855; res. Minneapolis; 2 chn.
23. ALICE, b. March 29, 1849; m. Charles Nichols; res. W.; 5 chn.
24. ABBIE S., b. April 21, 1852; res. W.; unm.; a successful teacher.

25. BROWN, NATHANIEL, lineage, place and date of birth, not known, came to W. from Brookfield ab. 1770, and bought that part of the original Main St., as laid out by the Proprietors' Committee, extending from the pond eighty rods S. E., the



same being four rods wide, making a lot of two acres, for which he paid "Sixteen Spanish milled dollars." He erected a house and barn near the site of the present residence of Frank N. Carpenter, and lived there several years, when he sold to Palgrave Wellington of Cambridge and purchased of Paul Gibbs a part of lot No. 20 with buildings, which stood within the limits of the present cemetery. He soon, however, left the place, but whither he went has not been ascertained. Neither wife nor chn. reported.

26. BROWN, JOHN, of Brookfield, kinsman, bro. of the last, was warned out of town 1791. Transient.

27. BROWN, BARRON, parentage, etc., undetermined, was first taxed in W. 1773, and was a resident here for some years, but the records are very meager concerning him. He was pub. Feb. 16 of the year named to Elizabeth Snow, and on the 14th of July following, a dau., Sally, was b. He had other chn., one of whom is spoken of below, but their names and birth-dates do not appear in the books of the town clerk. He was a Rev. sold., serving in the volunteer corps for a time and afterward enlisting for three years in the Continental Army. His w. and chn. were applicants for assistance from the town in 1782 and again in 1785. Feb. 19, 1784, he, then of Rindge, N. H., sold 25 a. of land in Whitman River valley to Michael Gill. He removed to Whittingham, Vt., where he d. at an unknown date. His w. also in all prob. d. at the same place. Chn.:

28. SALLY, b. July 14, 1773; nothing further known.

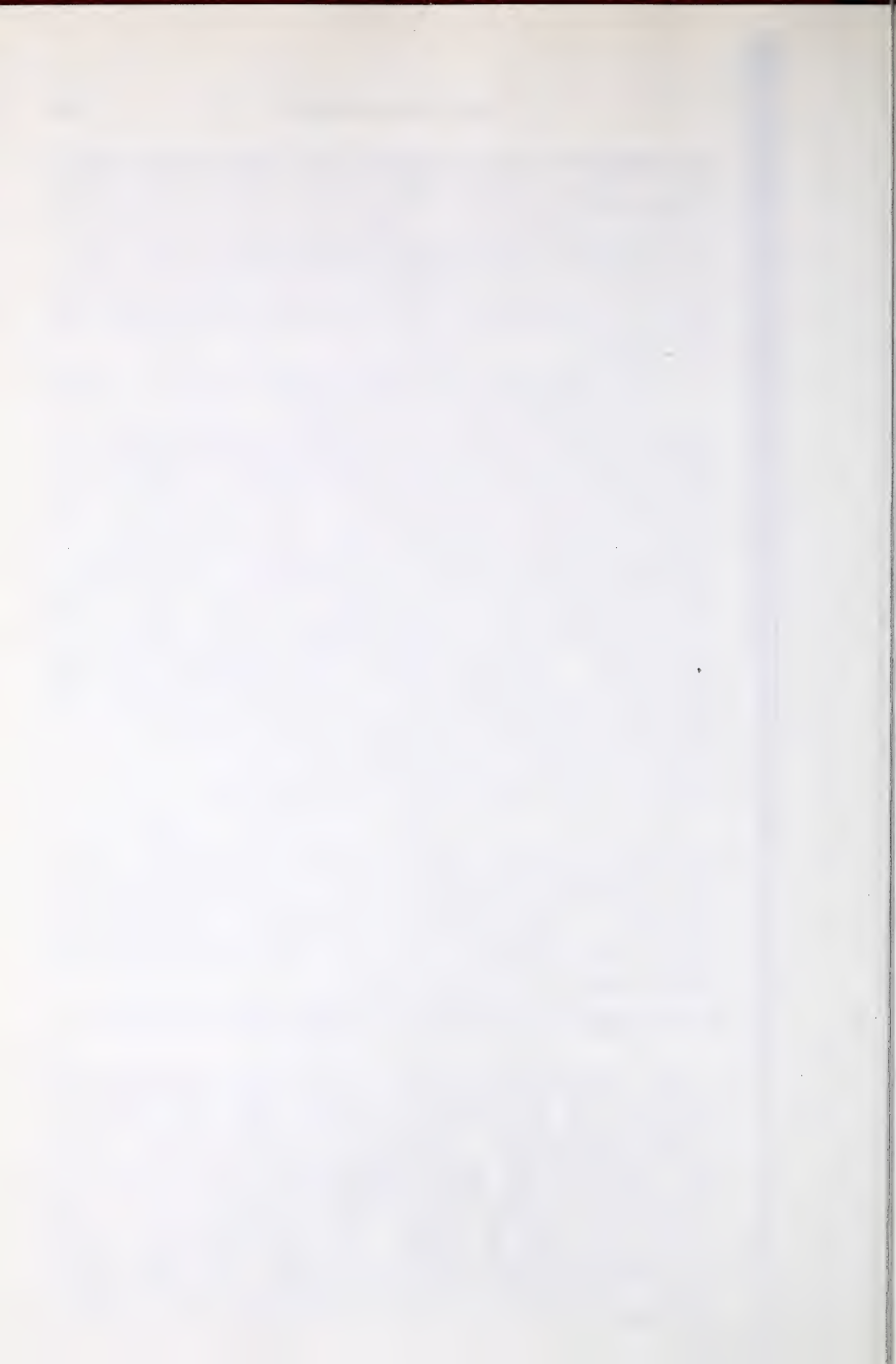
29. JOHN, b. 1775; m. Huldah Wheeler; res. W. and Vt.; 6 chn.

[29.] BROWN, JOHN, s. of the last, was pub. to Huldah, dau. of Josiah and Huldah (Page) Wheeler, June 4, 1796. After a brief residence on the Goodale farm in north part of the town, he removed to Whittingham, Vt. After the b. of six chn., four of whom d. young, he also d. His widow m. again and had four chn. more. She d. in 1851, a. 80. The names of but two of John Brown's chn. have been found:

30. SUSANNAH, b. W., Oct. 4, 1796; no record found nor information received.

31. PHILANDER C., b. Whittingham, July 21, 1804; res. W.

[31.] BROWN, PHILANDER C., s. of the last, was brought on horseback from Whittingham, Vt., to this town when four years of age and grew up under the care of his gd-f., Josiah Wheeler, on Bean Porridge Hill. Arriving at maturity he m. Louisa, dau. of Jonas W. and Phebe (Rand) Whitney, and was located for many years on the North Common, but later in life resided on Bacon St., near the Tophet Swamp stream, in the house now occupied by Charles R. Baker. He was a chairmaker and an industrious, reputable, and worthy citizen. He passed away Nov. 21, 1885, aged 81; his wid., Louisa W., d. April 8, 1888, a. 79. Chn.:



32. CATHARINE, b. Jan. 8, 1827; m. Charles F. Rice; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 2, 1890.
 33. MARY, b. Nov. 8, 1832; m. twice; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Dec. 23, 1888.
 34. ALONZO, b. July 11, 1834; unm.; res. W.; d. Sept. 18, 1891.
 35. PHEBE ANN, b. Jan. 10, 1836; m. Stephen F. Lamb; res. W.; 4 chn.
 36. JOHN L., b. Jan. 29, 1841; m. twice.
 37. ELIZA J., b. Jan. 7, 1843; d. unm. July 7, 1878.
 38. CHARLES M., b. Dec. 28, 1847; m. Susie E. Griffin; res. W.
 39. CLARA J., b. July 30, 1854; unm.

[38.] BROWN, CHARLES M., s. of the last, m. Sept. 16, 1870, Susan E., dau. Carlos and Susan Griffin, and set. in tn. Chn.:

40. CHARLENA W., b. Dec. 5, 1873.
 41. CHARLES L., b. Jan. 16, 1878; d. April 26, 1878.
 42. ARTHUR L., b. Jan. 5, 1879; d. July 24, 1879.
 43. CARLOS L., b. April 29, 1880.
 44. KITTY C., b. June 2, 1881.
 45. DAISY E. B., b. Jan. 11, 1883.
 46. SADIE A., b. Aug. 29, 1886.

47. BROWN, JOSIAH, ptge., date of b., etc., not found, was in town ab. 1790. He m. Sarah, sr. of David Wyman, Sept. 15, 1791, and res. here some years. Nov. 7, 1795, he purchased the land and mill privilege on the E. side of Bacon St., then a little outside of the village, perhaps erecting the first dwelling upon it. Three years later he disposed of the same to Ezra Taylor, who soon after put up a gristmill, and rem. to Bennington, Vt., where he disappeared from the historian's view. Chn.:

48. SARAH, b. Jan. 1, 1792; d. April 3, 1793.
 49. SARAH, b. Aug. 19, 1793.
 50. POLLY, b. March 19, 1796.
 51. JOSIAH, b. April 20, 1798.

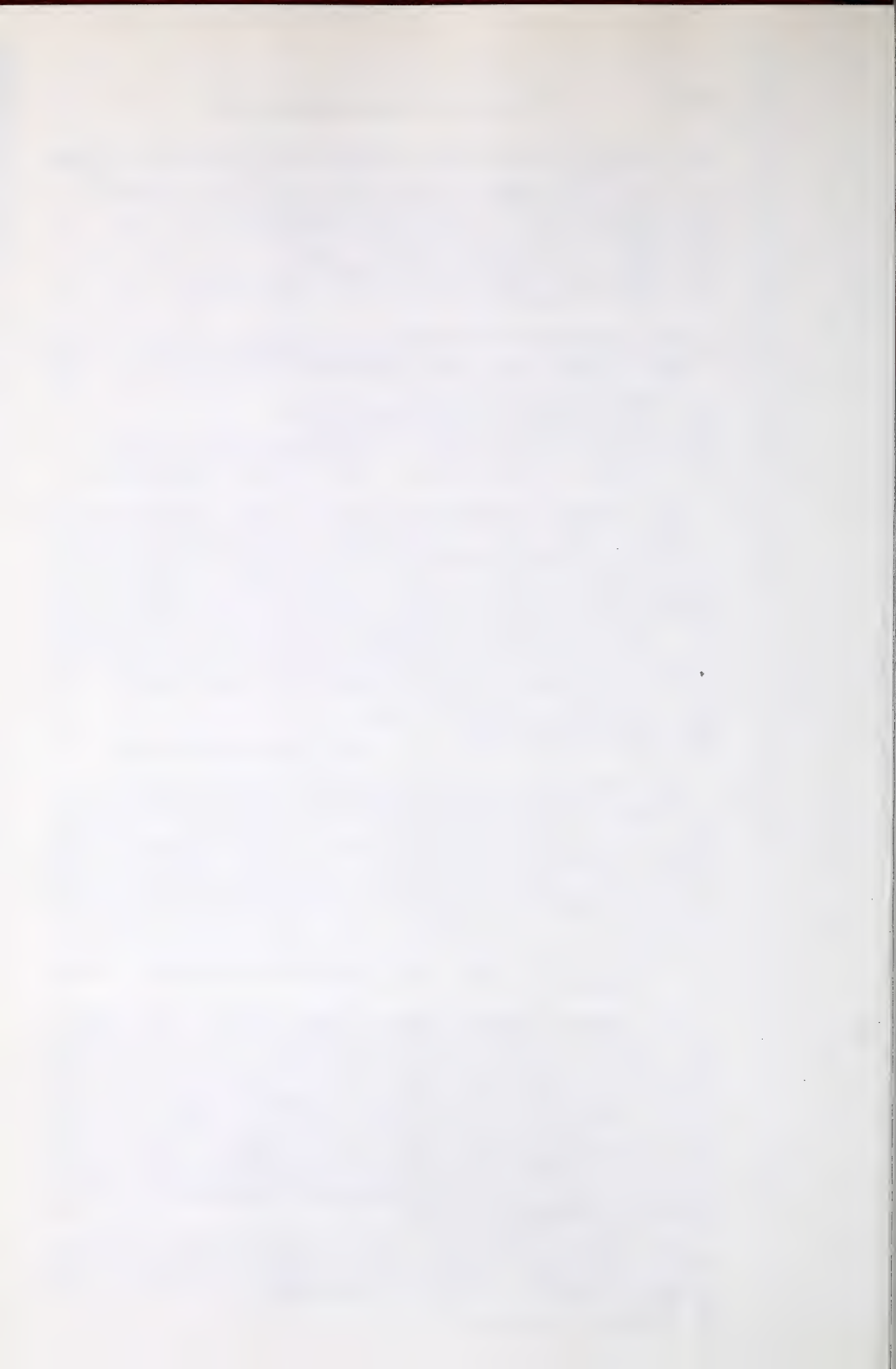
52. BROWN, JACOB, untraced, came to W. ab. 1810 and two yrs. later m. Sophia, dau. of William and Rhoda (Cowee) Sawin. He set. on the Beech Hill road opp. the North Common branch, where Andrew C. Ham now res. He was a tanner by trade and started a yard on his premises, but seems not to have run it a great while, being employed by Wm. Penniman afterward. One chd.:

53. LOUISA, b. Nov. 1, 1814; m. Jesse Stevens; res. Charlestown; 1 chd.; d. recently.

54. BROWN, REBECCA, whose name appears frequently in the records in the early part of the century, was dau. of Daniel and Rebecca (Brooks) Hoar, b. June 23, 1754. She m. (1) Joseph, s. of Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden, March 13, 1779. After his d. in 1797, she m. (2) Capt. William Brown of Fg., where she res. some years. He d. and she returned to W. She was the owner of real estate here, as she was also in Gr. and Fg. She d. in Nov., 1825, leaving considerable property, which she disposed of by will.

55. BROWN, ERNEST E., s. of S. M. and Sarah E. Brown, was b. Temp., date unreported, and m. Feb. 2, 1886, Nellie M. Holden of Gardner. They have one child:

56. MABELL E., b. Aug. 17, 1887.



BRUCE. George Bruce¹, a native of Scotland it is said, whose name was written *Brush* originally, came to this country ab. the middle of the 17th century and set. in Woburn, where he m. Elizabeth Clarke, Dec. 28, 1659. He had William², b. 1667, whose s. John³, b. July 22, 1702, rem. to Marlboro' and became the head of a long line of descendants in that town and vicinity. No doubt those of the name in W. were gd. chn. or gt.-gd. chn. of this John, though the intervening generations have not been ascertained.

1. **BRUCE, SAMUEL**, from Marlboro', ptge, etc., unknown, b. ab. 1770, appeared in town as early as 1799, in which year, Aug. 11, he was pub. to Olive, dau. of Edward and Jemima (Trowbridge) Jackson. He res. at sev. places, and was taxed in 1825, for 20 a. of land with ho. and bn. After his d., Feb. 25, 1830, his wid. res. some yrs. with her nephew, Timo. Brown, by whom and his worthy w. she was kindly cared for. She d. Aug. 17, 1859, a. 83. No chn.:

2. **BRUCE, JAMES**, bro. of the last, was b. April 11, 1783. On the 12th of March, 1807, he was pub. to Prudence, dau. of Samuel and Prudence (Winship) Taylor. They l. for a time in a house belonging to Francis Curtis, and with her parents on the old north turnpike, opp. the road running from the Cowee (I. N. Smith) place. (See A. H., No. 23.) He d. Oct. 3, 1848, a. 65. His wid. d. Oct. 7, 1849, a. 62. Chn.:

3. **LOUISA**, b. Aug. 2, 1807; m. Augustus Phinney; res. Hudson, Mich.; d. 1890.
4. **ABIGAIL**, b. Oct. 10, 1809; m. David Hadley; res. Ash.; 6 chn.; d. March 23, 1873.
5. **SAMUEL T.**, b. Jan. 7, 1812; m. Jane Wilson; res. Winch.; 7 chn.; d. April 25, 1882.
6. **JAMES R.**, b. Nov. 16, 1814; m. Lucinda Seaver; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. June 6, 1884.
7. **J. ALBERT**, b. June 23, 1818; m. Jerusha E. Polley; res. W.; 4 chn.
8. **GEORGE**, b. Feb. 21, 1822; m. Adaline Warren; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Dec. 10, 1885.
9. **HANNAH**, b. Feb. 21, 1822; d. infancy.
10. **CHARLES S.**, b. June 29, 1825; d. Oct. 8, 1828.
11. **NANCY L.**, b. Dec. 3, 1829; unm.; res. W.

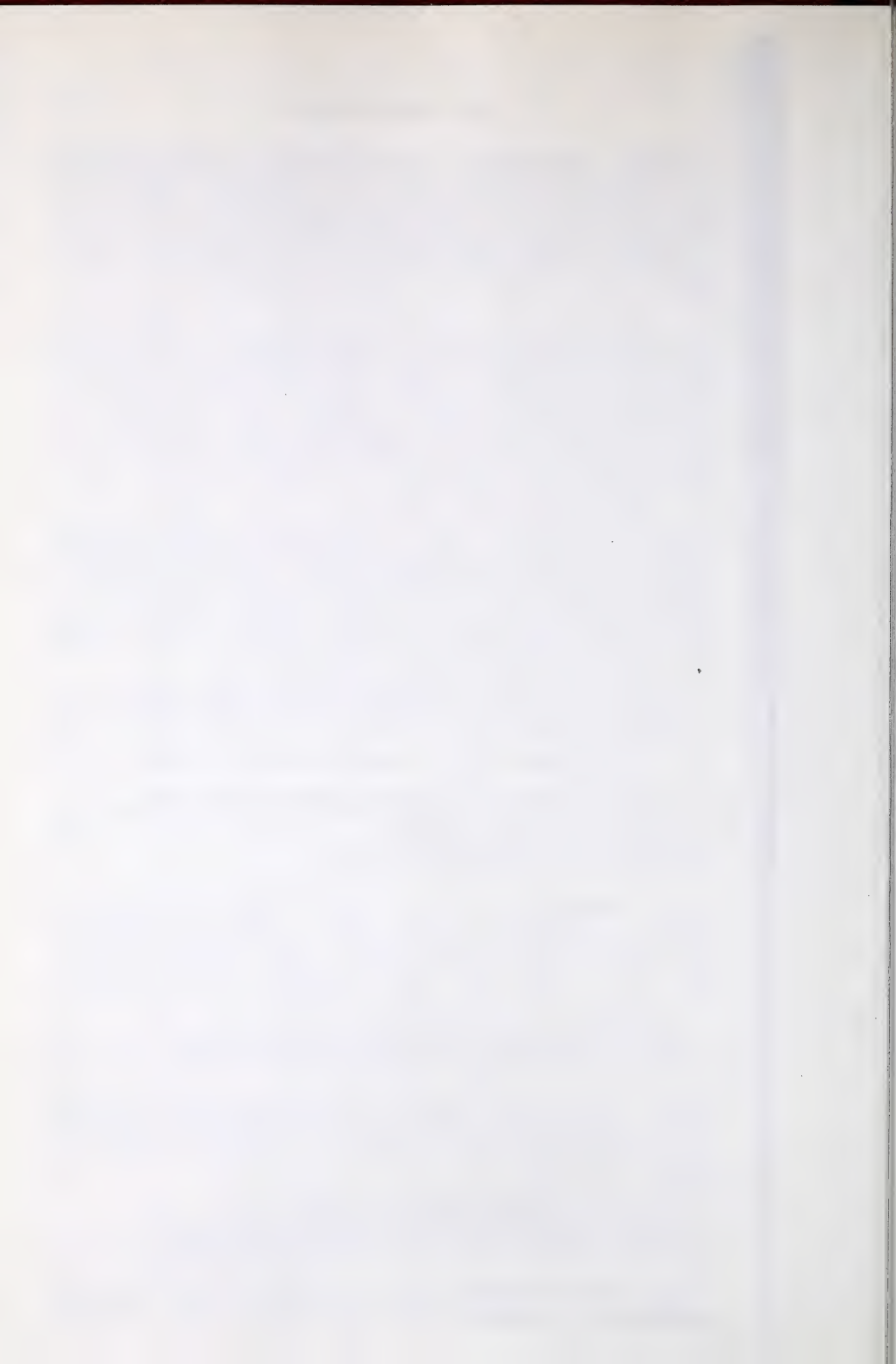
[6.] **BRUCE, JAMES R.**, s. of the last, was for many years a teamster ab. town and vicinity. He m. Lucinda, dau. Benjamin and Abigail (Gates) Seaver, April 23, 1846. During his later yrs. he res. on the Dea. Barnes place, W. of town meadows. He d. June 6, 1884, a. 69. His wid. is still living in town. Chn.:

12. **ABBIE ELLEN**, b. June 6, 1847; res. W.; unm.
13. **GEORGE W.**, b. Jan. 30, 1850; m. Helen L. Fenno; a merchant in W.; no chn.
14. **EMMA L.**, b. May 5, 1854; m. Albert H. Barron; res. Gr.; 1 chd.

[7.] **BRUCE, JEDUTHAN ALBERT**, bro. of the last, m. Jerusha Polley and spent most of his life in Ash. and W., but finally went to Gr., where he d. Jan. 19, 1892, a. 73. His w. d. Sept. 29, 1889, a. 62. Chn.:

15. **HATTIE E.**, b. April 29, 1857; d. Aug. 29, 1857.
16. **MARY A.**, b. Oct. 4, 1858; m. Charles H. Blodgett; res. Gr.; no chn.
17. **JAMES A.**, b. March 25, 1861; m. Frances Leach; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
18. **ABBIE J.**, b. Sept. 15, 1863; m. Dorr L. Sprague; res. Wilmington, Vt.; 2 chn.

[8.] **BRUCE, GEORGE**, another s. of James and Prudence, m. Adaline, dau. of Jeduthan and Lydia Warren, Sept. 10, 1846,



and res. on Warren place, Scrabble Hollow. He d. Dec. 10, 1885, leaving a wid., still living, and 2 chn.:

19. GEORGE HENRY, b. Aug. 25, 1854. 20. HERBERT PHINNEY, b. Oct. 21, 1859.

I. BURNHAM, EDWIN L., s. of Silas and Martha Burnham of Montague, was b. April 29, 1833. He m. Laura, dau. Thomas and Martha (Bond) Damon, Dec. 4, 1856, and settled for a time in his native town, but came to W. April 1, 1868, and engaged in the bakery with his bro.-in-law, Charles F. Damon, in which business, with different partners or as sole proprietor, he continued till a recent date. He served as Selectman four years and was Representative to the Gen. Ct. in 1884. Chn.:

2. GEORGE ALLEN, b. Montague, March 6, 1858; d. Jan. 28, 1859.
3. NELSON DAMON, b. Montague, Sept. 8, 1859; d. Oct. 8, 1867.
4. ARTHUR GREEN, b. Montague, May 4, 1863; m. Alice S. Hodgman.
5. MARTHA BOND, b. Montague, Aug. 10, 1868.

[4.] BURNHAM, ARTHUR G., s. of the last, m. Alice S. Hodgman, Nov. 21, 1883, and res. W. Has been in business with his father. Chd.:

6. EDWIN L., b. March 10, 1886.

7. BURNHAM, ANDREW, s. of John Putnam and Emily (Hall) Burnham of Bridgewater, Vt., was b. July 7, 1848. Was grandson of David and Abigail (Persons) Burnham of Reading, Vt. He m. Sarah Francis, dau. Israel A. and Hepzibah C. (Lane) Packard of Ash., Oct. 18, 1870, and soon set. on the Allen B. Wood place, near the Goodale mill site in No. part of the town. Chn.:

8. MABEL EMILY, b. Nov. 28, 1873, d. Nov. 29, 1873.
9. ARTHUR WALTER, b. May 8, 1877.

I. BURPEE, JOEL S., s. of Joel and Eliza (Sargeant) Burpee of Sterling, was b. at Templeton, Sept. 4, 1813. On May 19, 1843, he m. Lucinda P., dau. of Elmer and Lucinda (Conant) Baker, and after a brief stay in Pn., where their first chd. was b., located in this town, near the No. 7 Sc. Ho., on the place now occupied by Mrs. B. He was a chairmaker by trade and d. in consequence of an accident at the Merriam chair shop, So. W., Dec. 27, 1879, a. 66. Chn.:

2. ELMER J., b. Dec. 16, 1845; m. Mrs. Clara E. Miller; res. W.; d. June 6, 1873.
3. JAMES A., b. Dec. 15, 1847; m. Viola N. Elliott; res. W.; d. June 24, 1872.
4. LEVI H., b. June 20, 1850; m. Mrs. Harriet S. Baker.
5. HATTIE E., b. Sept. 4, 1854; m. Danzil E. Johnson; res. Leom.; dec'd.
6. JOSIE L., b. Sept. 2, 1856; m. Ambrose E. Weston; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 2, 1877.
7. DWIGHT C., b. May 19, 1863; m. Melissa Longley and Sarah J. Hale.

[2.] BURPEE, ELMER J., s. of the last, m. wid. Clara E. Miller June 6, 1873. The name of 1 chd. appears in the records:

8. W. H. BURPEE, b. Sept. 28, 1878.



I. BUTTERFIELD, BENJAMIN, was s. of Benjamin and Keziah, b. in Westford in 1726. He was undoubtedly a descendant of Benjamin, the immigrant, who was in Charlestown bef. 1640, taxed in Woburn in 1644, and who ten years later moved to Chelmsford. He m. Susannah, dau. of Jacob and Susannah (Pierce) Spalding of C. and sr. of Joseph of this town, Sept. 26, 1748; res. for a time in Westford, rem. thence to Lunenburg, and finally to Nar. No. 2, in 1752, locating first on the present W. H. Carter (Miles) place, but later on lot No. 43, So. of the house of Geo. W. Whitney. (See A. H. No. 38.) He was a carpenter by trade and an active citizen, holding the office of Assessor in 1756. He left W. in 1762 or 3 for Brattleboro', Vt., where he took a leading part in settling the town and in forming the first chh. He gained some military as well as political honors, and became Asst. Judge of the County Court of Common Pleas. An earnest participant in the movement to annex a part of Vt. to N. Y., he was involved in certain war-like demonstrations which caused his arrest and temporary imprisonment at Northampton. He lived to a great age, leaving a considerable number of chn., four only of whom were b. in W.:

2. SUSANNAH, b. Jan. 20, 1753.

3. JESSIE, b. Oct. 20, 1756.

4. EZRA, b. Oct. 6, 1758.

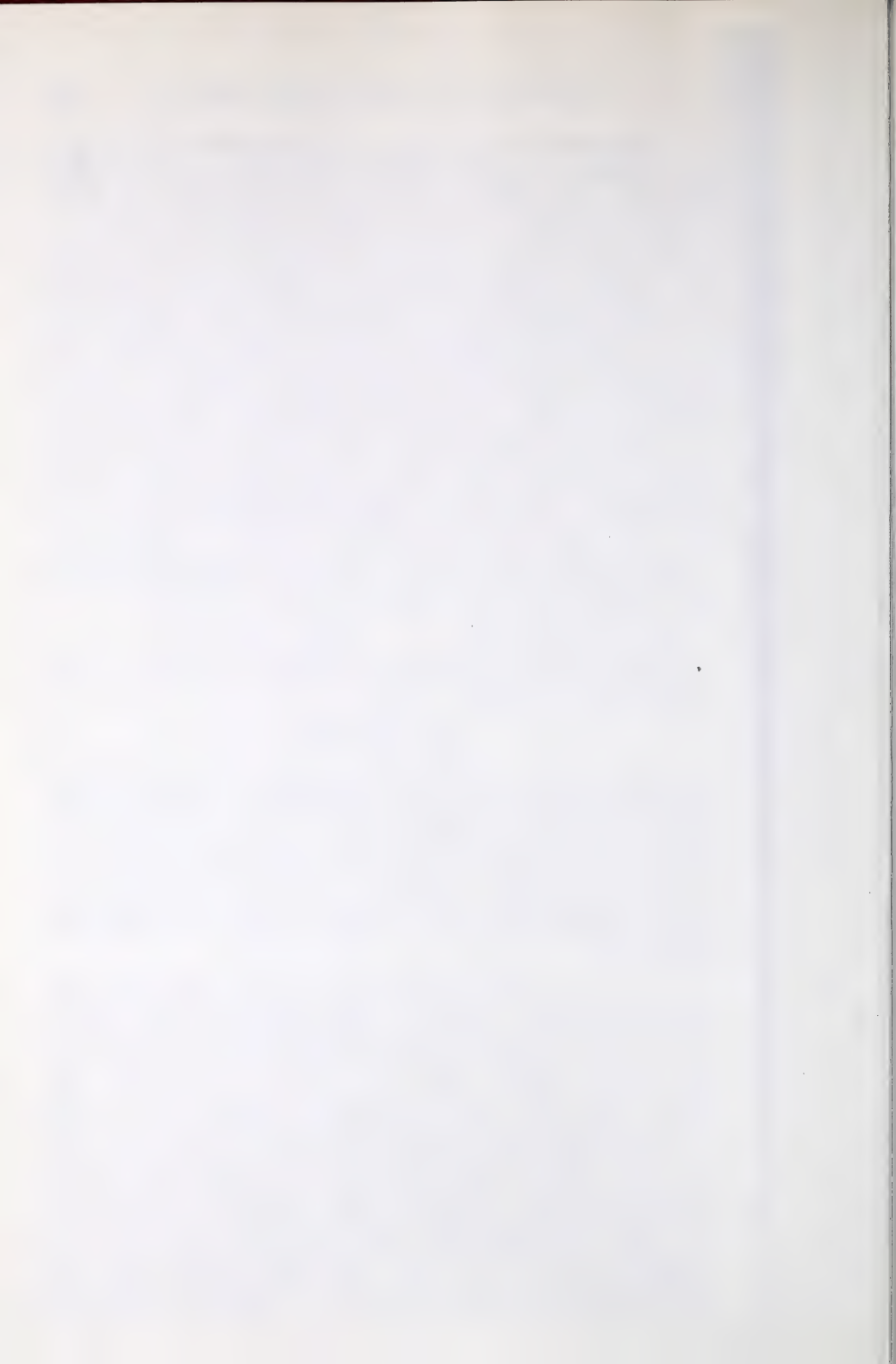
5. LUKE, b. Oct. 5, 1760.

A descendant of Benjamin, A. Augustine Butterfield of Jerseyville, Vt., is preparing a history of the family.

BUTTRICK.

This family was one of the oldest, most reputable, and most public-spirited in Concord and vicinity for many years during the early history of the Mass. Colony, and as it scattered thence, it carried with it much of its ancient character in these respects. The supposed immigrant ancestor of it was William Buttrick¹, who was in the township named soon after it was founded, and who, by his w. Sarah, had Samuel², b. July 21, 1653. Samuel² was the f. of Jonathan³, b. April 4, 1690. A little uncertainty exists at this point, but prob. Jonathan³ had a s. John⁴, the father of Col. John⁵, whose wife was Abigail Jones. These all resided in Concord or its immediate neighborhood.

I. BUTTRICK, HORATIO G.⁶, was s. of Col. John⁵ and Abigail Buttrick, b. March 14, 1778. Upon coming to mature age he left the place of his nativity and went to Lancaster, where he m. (1) Oct. 6, 1803, Nancy Whitney, dau. of Jonathan and Lucy, by whom he had one child. His wife d. Jan. 27, 1811, a. 26. Of her the *Mass. Spy*, in noting her decease, says: "Her example and cheerful hope in the dying hour were well calculated to teach the luxury of doing good." During the same year, Dec. 26, he m. (2) Mary, dau. of Edward and Elizabeth (Holden) Barnard, and rem. to W., took up his residence on the estate belonging to wife's father, some years deceased. The property he afterwards purchased and occupied while he remained in town. He possessed the family traits already indicated, was of gentlemanly manners and dignified bearing, and



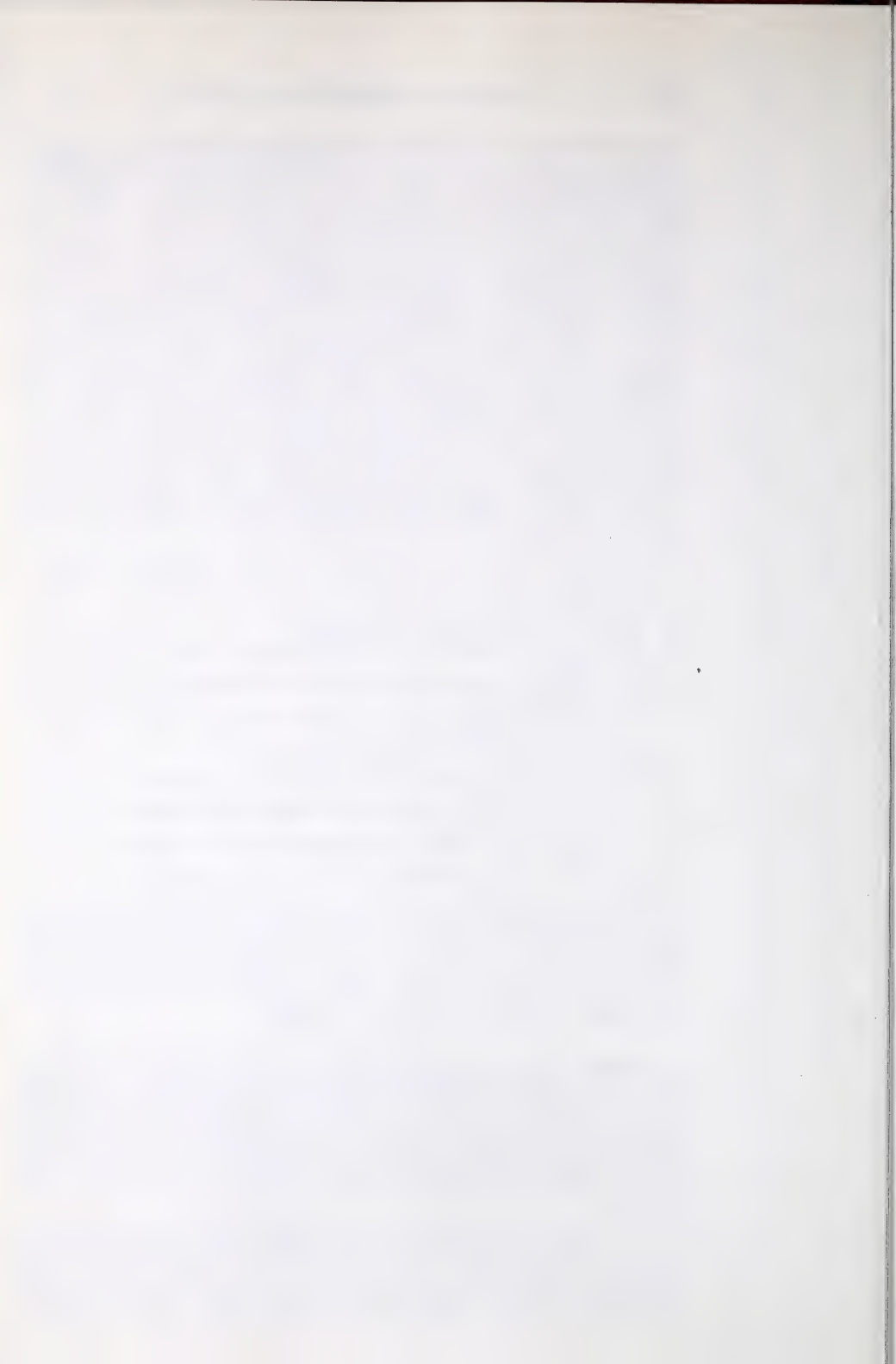
well calculated to command respect and confidence. A man of ability and good education, he mingled freely in public affairs and held for some years the office of Selectman, the duties of which he discharged with promptness and fidelity. He also served the town on the School Committee and in other positions requiring good intellectual qualities, energy, and reliability. He was somewhat inclined to military arts, and rose to the dignity of Major of a Regiment of Artillery in 1814, gaining a title by which he was subsequently known in the town and vicinity. He left W. about 1822, locating on the Mill Dam, so called, at Boston, where he had a hotel for a few years, and where his two youngest chn. were b. He finally left Mass. and settled at Clinton, Oneida Co., N. Y., where he held some post of service in connection with Hamilton College till the infirmities of age obliged him to retire. He d. June 26, 1856, a. 78. His wife, Mary (Barnard) Buttrick, survived him many years, following him to the "better land" Feb. 18, 1874, a. 85. Chn.:

2. CAROLINE⁷, b. Dec. 4, 1805; m. Edward Holmes; res. Dedham; 4 chn.; d. Aug., 1854.
3. NANCY W.⁷, b. Feb., 1810; d. March 19, 1810.
4. SARAH A.⁷, b. Jan. 15, 1811; d. same day.
5. NANCY W.⁷, b. Aug. 12, 1812; m. Orin Root; res. Clinton; 4 chn.; d. Feb., 1891.
6. ELIZABETH B.⁷, b. Oct. 11, 1814; m. Rev. S. P. Hastings; res. Clinton; 3 chn.; d. April 19, 1876.
7. MARY JONES⁷, b. Feb. 25, 1817; m. Luther Risball; res. Berlin, Wis.; no chn.; d. April 1, 1862.
8. H. WALSTEIN⁷, b. Sept. 13, 1819; d. Oct. 8, 1821.
9. HARRIET⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1822; m. Rev. Homer B. Morgan, miss. to Turkey; no chn.; d. 1853.
10. CHARLOTTE⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1822; m. Judge Sackett; res. Saratoga, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. Nov. 17, 1874.
11. EDWIN L.⁷, b. Aug. 1824; m. Fannie Bucklin; res. W. Virginia; 1 chd.; still living.
12. MARIA L.⁷; m. Judge Spalding, N. Y. City; 2 chn.; still living.

This was a remarkable fam. The daus. m. professional men, all of whom save Judge Sackett grad. Ham. College. Caroline has s., Edward L. Holmes, a distinguished physician in Chicago. Nancy W. m. Prof. Root of Ham. College, Clinton, N. Y.; has one s. Prof. in Ham. Coll. and one, Prof. in Columbia Coll. Harriet was miss. in Turkey, where she d. Charlotte d. at Wiemar, Germany, where she was educating her daus. Edwin Lorenzo is a lawyer; was Col. of 24th Wis. Regt. in Rebellion; now living in W. Virginia.

CALEF. This name, sometimes spelled Califf, and sometimes degraded into Calf, appeared quite early in N. E. annals and was borne by some persons of considerable prominence in public life. The immigrant head of the family in this country, however, has not been ascertained, and the entire lineage of its first representative in W. including place and date of birth is unknown. The record begins and almost ends with him, the name having become extinct, though a few of his descendants are still found in this vicinity.

I. CALEF, STEPHEN, was in Narragansett No. 2 as early as 1755, in which year, May 22, he m. Anna, dau. David and Mary Stearns of Waltham, a distant relative of John and Thomas Stearns previously located in this township. He is said to



have been a physician before his removal hither, and if so, may have practiced medicine somewhat during the first years of his residence in the place. Much confidence however is not to be put in the report. On the 2d of July, 1756, he purchased lot No. 73 which included the almost entire southern extremity of Graves Hill, the site of the buildings erected and occupied by him on the summit twenty or thirty rods west of the No. 3 school house being easily recognizable. (See A. H. No. 98.) Mrs. Calef d. Jan. 19, 1810, a. 73 and he m. (2) Rebecca, wid. of Jonathan Temple, who survived him. In 1797, he sold his homestead to Isaac Miles and the last years of his life were spent on the Temple place, afterwards the home of Asa Merriam opp. where W. J. Black now res. He d. 1814?, at the advanced age of more than 80 yrs. The date of Rebecca's d. is unknown. Chn.:

2. ANNA, b. May 29, 1756; d. 1764.
3. ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 31, 1757; d. 1764.
4. STEPHEN, b. Dec. 17, 1760; d. 1764.
5. LOIS, b. Dec. 22, 1762; d. 1764.
6. ANNA, b. Dec. 13, 1764; m. Samuel Wood; res. Halifax, Vt., and Pa.; 11 chn.; d. 1804.
7. STEPHEN, b. March 11, 1767; no rec. fd.
8. EZRA, b. Dec. 31, 1768; m. Ruth Darby; d. June 11, 1793.
9. ABIGAIL, b. 1771?; m. Samuel Farwell.
10. LOVISA, b. Feb. 3, 1773; m. Joseph Darby; res. W., etc.

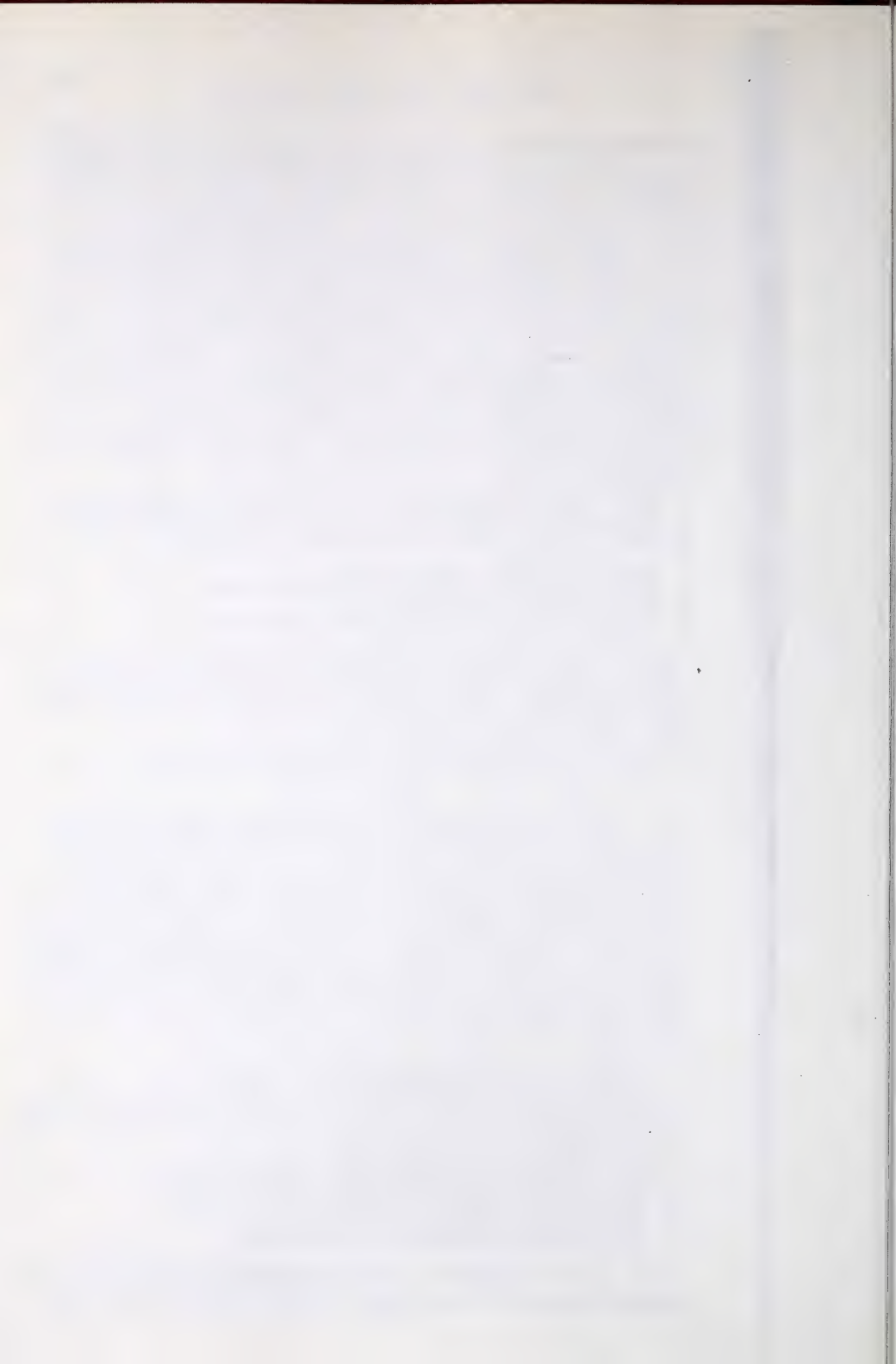
[8.] CALEF, EZRA, s. of the last, m. Ruth, dau. John and Hannah (Garey) Darby (pub. Oct. 1, 1791), but d. June 11, 1793. His widow m. Ezekiel Kendall of Sterling, July 7, 1807. She d. Dec. 21, 1846, a. 76. Chd.:

11. LUCY, b. Nov. 23, 1792; m. Edward W. Kendall; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 21, 1826.

1. CAREY, HUGH, was b. in Ireland ab. 1819, and came to this country with his w. and 1 chd. in 1847. Soon after landing, he found his way to W. where his bro.-in-law, Michael Day, the first permanent Irish settler of the modern type in town, it is said, had been residing for a few years. He lived awhile at the So. end and then purchased of Edmund Nichols the Daniel Gates place (originally David Child's) in Scrabble Hollow valley where he and his w. Catharine (Glennan) still res. They have had a large family, but are left for the most part alone in their declining years. Chn.:

2. THOMAS, b. April 28, 1845; m. but had no chn.; res. Utah.
3. JAMES, b. Jan. 17, 1848; had w. and 2 chn.; k. on R. R.
4. JOHN, b. Aug. 13, 1849; res. in Col.; unkn.
5. EMILY, b. June 15, 1851; m. Timothy Conway; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. July 28, 1882.
6. CATE, b. June 17, 1853; d. June 17, 1856.
7. LUCY ANN, b. April 20, 1855; m. and lives west; no chn.
8. LIZZIE, b. March 16, 1857; m. Charles Moore; res. Gr.; no chn.
9. SUSAN, b. Feb. 22, 1859; m. Frank Newton; res. W.; 1 chd.
10. HUBERT, b. Jan. 17, 1861; res. N. Y. City; unkn.
11. MARY J., b. July 10, 1864; m. Charles Petts; 1 chd.

12. CAREY, JOHN, bro. of the last, came to Boston ab. 1843, spent a few yrs., then went back to the old country, but returned



with Hugh in 1847, and not long after located here, establishing himself finally with his bro.-in-law, Michael Day, on the Dr. White farm in No-town, first as laborer and then as owner, where he is still living at the age of 83. He m. Mary Donelly and has had 6 chn.:

13. CATHARINE; m. Michael Harrington and James Cody; 10 chn.; res. W.; 1.
14. MARY; d. young.
15. PATRICK; m. and has sev. chn.; res. Worc.
16. JAMES; m. and has sev. chn.; res. Worc.
17. ELLEN, b. Jan. 27, 1850; res. with pts.; unm.
18. WILLIAM; m. and has 2 chn.; res. Fg.

19. CAREY, JOHN, whether related to the former or not does not appear, res. for some yrs. in the Ivers Brooks house, Minott neighborhood. The m. n. of his w. was Bridget Gilligan who was b. in Ireland and came over in 1846. Mr. Carey d. in 1873. They had sev. chn., three of whom d. in early childhood. The names of John, Thomas, and Annie only, have been ascertained.

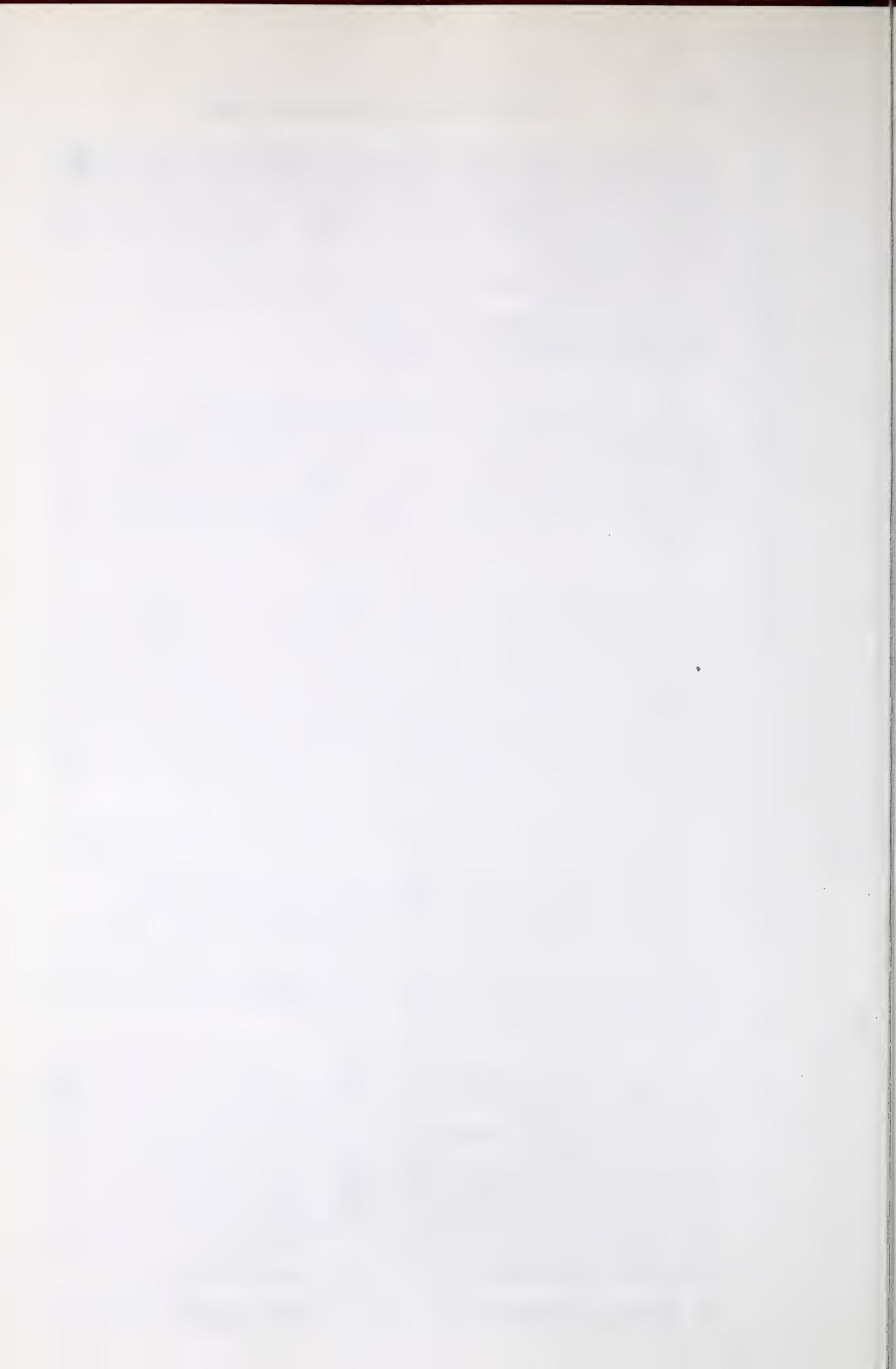
1. CARR, WALTER V., s. of Reuben and Martha H. Carr, was b. in Weare, N. H., May 26, 1803. He m. Jan. 6, 1831, Brucey, dau. of Ezra and Mercy Cowdrey of Lunenburg, where he had a temporary res. Coming to W. in 1842, he was for many years engaged in the manufacture of chairs at Scrabble Hollow, having John Mosman for a partner a portion of the time. He lived in one of the Whitman houses awhile and also on the Silas Smith place, Bragg Hill, per. carrying on the farm after leaving the chair business. He d. April 1, 1875, a. 71. His wid. d. Jan. 22, 1891, a. 85. Their chn. were:

2. WALTER S., b. Nov. 15, 1831; m. Mary L. Anderson; res. Hartford, Vt.; 2 chn.; 1.
3. Unnamed; d. infancy.
4. FRANK E., b. May 26, 1834; m. Sarah P. Kittredge; res. Clinton; 1 chd.; 1.
5. MARTHA, b. Jan. 7, 1836; m. Albert Minott; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
6. MARY E., b. May 14, 1843; m. Ed. S. Kendall; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
7. GEORGE W., b. May 13, 1845; m. Mary J. Merriam; res. Chelsea; 1 chd.; 1.
8. JOHN W., b. Nov. 24, 1847; m. Sarah Harrington; res. W., etc.; 4 chn.; 1.

It is a fact worthy of note that Sarah P. Kittredge, wife of Frank E. Carr, now d., was gt.-gd.dau. of Heman Kendall, an early resident of the tn., through his s. Heman and gd.dau., Amanda M. Kendall, who m. James C. Kittredge and set. at Charlestown, where Sarah P. was b. Dec. 4, 1840.

[8.] CARR, JOHN W., s. of the last, m. Sarah, dau. of Daniel and Nancy (White) Harrington, Mar. 3, 1869, and set. on the former Nahum Barrell farm in the N.W. part of the town. He was an industrious, enterprising, prosperous farmer. But his prosperity received a sudden check by the explosion of a kerosene lantern in the barn filled with hay, where he was attending to the duties of his calling on the evening of Aug. 30, 1887, resulting in the entire destruction of all the buildings upon the estate. (See A. H. No. 17.) Since that unfortunate event, Mr. Carr has lived in So. Ash. His chn. are:

9. DANIEL W., b. June 3, 1870.
10. CLIFFORD H., b. Nov. 8, 1871.
11. NATHANIEL R., b. Nov. 12, 1873.
12. ANNIE H. (adopted), b. Sept. 8, 1882.



CARTER.

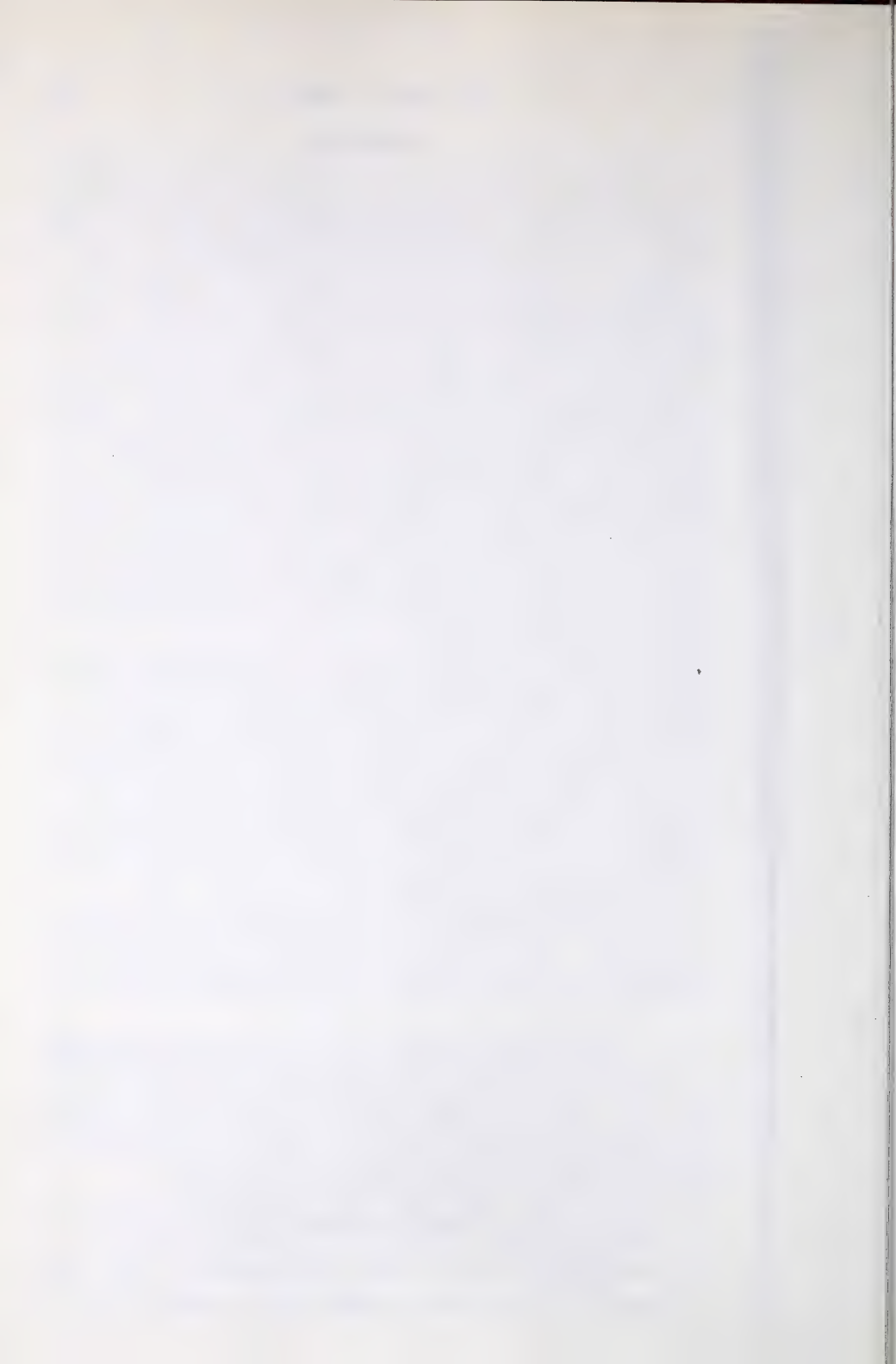
In the year 1610 a child was born in the County of Hertfordshire, Eng., who was known by the name of Thomas Carter¹. Of studious tastes and quick to learn, he fitted for college at an early age, and entering Cambridge, grad. in 1630. Five years afterward he, with forty others, came to this country in the ship *Planter*, locating first at Dedham, but soon rem. to Watertown, becoming there an elder in the church. In 1642, upon the founding of a church in Woburn, he was called to be its minister, having prob. studied theology somewhat before leaving the old country. Accepting the invitation, he was ordained and inducted into the sacred office Oct. 22, 1742, by two laymen, who, placing their hands upon his head, said: "We ordain thee, Thomas Carter, to be pastor unto this Church of Christ." He served in the ministry until his death in 1684. Johnson, in his "Wonder-working Providence," calls him "a reverend godly man, apt to teach the sound and wholesome truths of Christ." His funeral expenses, paid by the town, were £4 19s. 6d., of which £2 9s., or nearly one-half, was for fourteen galls. of wine. His son Samuel² grad. at Harvard and resided at Woburn some years, where, besides serving the public in several town offices, he taught a grammar school. He studied theology, and in 1692 was called to the pastorate of the church in Groton. He went thither very soon but d. in the autumn of the following year. Three of the sons of Rev. Samuel set. in Lanc., where they attained position and influence and became the progenitors of a numerous posterity, among whom have been many persons distinguished for their high character, superior ability, and eminent usefulness in the community, church, and State.

One of these three sons, Thomas³, m. Ruth Phelps of Andover, and had John⁴, b. April 23, 1713, who was a prominent man in town affairs and somewhat noted in the military annals of his time, being Capt. in the F. and I. War, and afterwards promoted to the dignity of Col. In the year 1761 he purchased of wid. Abigail Gill lot No. 87, in the extreme southerly part of W., beyond the present W. J. Black place, with buildings and appurtenances thereon, leaving it to his heirs at his death in 1766. It does not appear that Col. John Carter⁴ was ever a permanent resident in town, though it is to be inferred from the records that his son Thomas⁵, b. March 8, 1753, who m. Sally Clark in 1786, occupied the premises for a time. None of the chn. of the latter seem to have been b. here and most of his life was spent in his native place. He sold the estate in question in 1792 and d. Feb. 1, 1823, a. 69. His wid. d. May 1, 1845, a. 86.

The more permanent family in town bearing the name of Carter descended from Rev. Samuel² through his son Samuel³, who m. Dorothy Wilder and had Oliver⁴, b. 1715. Oliver⁴ m. Beulah Wilder and set. in Leom. His house was one of the first eight built in that town. His s. Ephraim⁵ was a highly respected citizen, and Deacon of the First Church for forty-two years. He d. May 7, 1817.

I. CARTER, ASAPH⁶, s. of the last named and his wife Joanna (Wheelock) Carter, was b. Sept. 12, 1779. He m. Ruth Drake and settled first in his native town, where all his chn. were b., but rem. to W. ab. 1830, locating on a part of the Jonathan Brown estate and remaining there till his d. Dec. 24, 1852, at the age of 73. His wife d. April 5, 1875, a. 90. Their chn., most of whom came to W. with their parents, were:

2. ALMIRA⁷, b. Oct. 16, 1804; m. Peter Joslin; res. Leom.; 6 chn.; d. July 15, 1883.
3. LUKE W.⁷, b. Sept. 14, 1806; m. Abigail F. Priest; res. W., etc.; 12 chn.; d. March 24, 1879.
4. CATHARINE D.⁷, b. Dec. 15, 1808; m. Zopher Sargent; res. Lanc.; 2 chn.; now living. [July 4, 1884.]
5. ASAPH R.⁷, b. Dec. 8, 1811; m. Elizabeth Viles; res. Waltham; no chn.; d.



6. EDWARD R.⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1813; m. Mary Baker; res. W., etc.; d. May 22, 1888.
7. RUFUS⁷, b. June 9, 1817; m. Loenza H. B. Flint; res. Fg. and Worc.; 3 chn.; living.
8. LAURA L.⁷, b. Jan. 19, 1820; m. Albert Merriam; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; d. March 17, 1852.
9. THOMAS A.⁷, b. Aug. 5, 1823; m. Louisa Damon; res. W.; no chn.; d. Jan. 16, 1887.
10. SARAH A.⁷, b. April 10, 1825; m. Lysander A. Howard and Jona. Burgess; res. Temp. and Fg.

[3.] CARTER, LUKE WHEELOCK⁷, s. of the last, m. Dec. 7, 1837, Abigail F. Priest. He lived for a few years in W. and then rem. to Leom., in which town he d. March 24, 1879, a. 72. Chn. b. here :

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| 11. MARY J. ⁸ , b. July 2, 1838. | 12. SOLON F. ⁸ , b. Oct. 14, 1840; d. Nov. 4, 1842. |
| 13. SOLON H. ⁸ , b. Nov. 13, 1842. | Nine more were b. in Leom. |

[6.] CARTER, EDWARD RUSSELL⁷, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. Nathan and Sally (Miles) Baker, Sept. 30, 1834. A quiet, unassuming, but eminently worthy, man, of exemplary habits and much interested in Anti-Slavery, Temperance, and other reforms. He lived on the place occupied by his father, and d. May 22, 1888, a. 74. His wife still survives him. Chn.:

14. MARY L.⁸, b. Aug. 10, 1835; d. infancy.
15. EDWARD R.⁸, b. Nov. 26, 1836; m. Susan M. White; res. W.; no chn.; living.
16. STILLMAN M.⁸, b. Oct. 24, 1839; m. Sarah M. Henderson; res. West.

17. CARTER, OLIVER⁸, s. of Samuel⁷ and Dilly (Merriam) Carter of Berlin, was b. April 9, 1810. He was a descendant of Rev. Thomas Carter¹ of Woburn through Rev. Samuel², Samuel³, Samuel⁴, Stanton⁵, Daniel⁶, and Samuel⁷. Ab. the year 1846 he bought the gristmill property at Wachusettville and after running it a few years re-sold it to Mr. Wyman and moved to Lancaster, where he d. Jan. 31, 1871. He m. (1) Polly Warner April 30, 1834, who bore him two chn. and d. Feb. 28, 1842, and (2) Mary S. Barnes, Feb. 8, 1849, by whom he had four more. Not being b. in W. and not residing here permanently their names are not given.

18. CARTER, ISRAEL N.⁷, s. of William and Catharine (McIntire) of Fitchburg, and also a descendant of Rev. Thomas¹ through Rev. Samuel², Thomas³, Thomas⁴, John⁵, William⁶, was b. 1814. His gt.-gd.-father, Thomas⁴, went from Lanc. to Lun. and was known as "Cornet Carter," a title derived from a military office held under the King. He m. Elizabeth, dau. of Edward R. and Elizabeth J. Willard, Boston, and after residing in Fg. awhile came to W. ab. 1860 and set. on the Thomas Laws place in the extreme north part of the town, where he res. till his d., Sept. 21, 1890. Chn.:

19. MARY E.⁸, b. Fg. Jan. 21, 1843.
20. EDWARD F.⁸, b. Oct. 7, 1848; m. Carrie E. Stearns; res. Fg.

21. CARTER, WILLIAM H., son of Ezra C. and Eunice (Dean) Carter, was b. Derby, Vt., March 21, 1840, lineage not traced.



He is a farmer, owning and occupying a portion of the George Miles estate, half a mile S. W. of the Central Village, which he purchased some twenty years since. On the 4th of Dec., 1873, he m. Ellen R., dau. of Asa and Sally M. (Derby) Dike, by whom he has had two chn.:

22. ETHEL M., b. Oct. 18, 1874.

23. CONRAD C., b. Oct. 2, 1881.

1. CAVENDAR, WIDOW GRACE, dau. of Joseph Viles who came from Brattleboro', Vt., ab. 1772 and purchased a part of the present cemetery lot—4 acres with house and barn—of Paul Gibbs. She prob. was his housekeeper, and a few years afterward come into the possession of the estate, for which she was taxed till 1786, when her name disappears from the Assessors' lists. Whether she d. ab. that date or moved to some other locality has not been determined. She had one child, to wit:

2. CAVENDAR, WILLIAM, son of the last, a lad twelve years of age when his mother first moved into W. His father's name is not known. He was taxed in 1783 and three years afterward, when all traces of him disappeared.

1. CHASE, RUFUS P., a native of Newburyport, ptge., etc., unknown, came to W. from Grafton ab. 1834 and set up the boot and shoe making business at the center. He remained in town some 17 yrs. and is pleasantly remembered by those who knew him. He rem. to Fg. and afterwards to Wilton, N. H., where he d. in 1876. His w. was Emily Peck of Claremont, N. H. They had 4 chn.:

2. HELEN M., b. April 17, 1831; m. Thos. S. Hathaway; res. Elmira, N. Y.; no chn.; d. May 3, 1890.

3. WALTER P., b. Oct. 14, 1835; m. Sarah Mayer; res. Elmira; 2 chn.; living.

4. MARION R., b. 1839; d. Sept. 18, 1840.

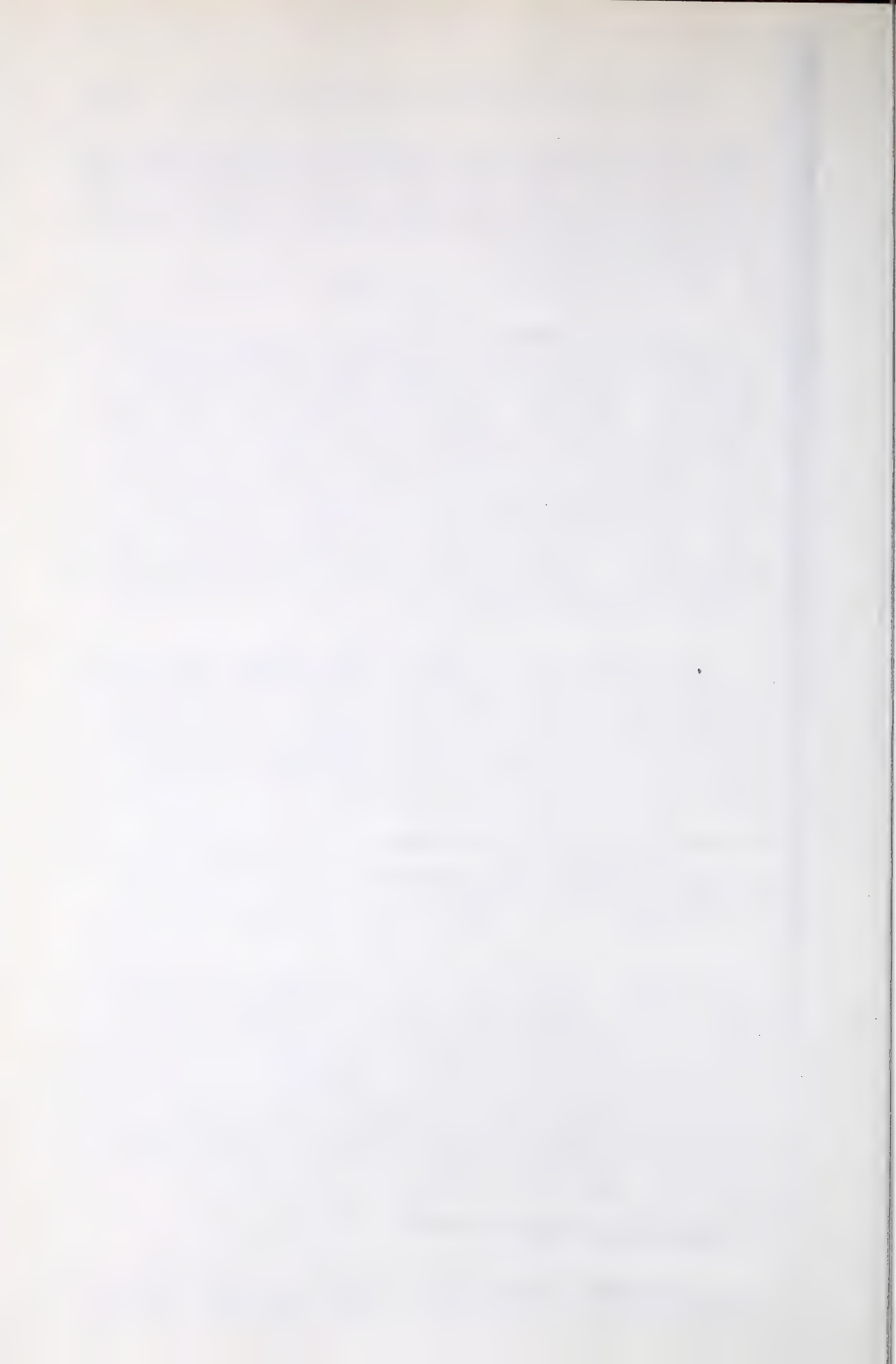
5. FREDERICK M., b. Oct. 12, 1841; m. Caroline E. Wilson; res. Barnard, Vt.; 5 chn.

1. CHENEY, WALLACE, s. of Wales and Nancy (Mayo) Cheney, was b. Orange, July 3, 1832. Coming to W., he m. Sept. 19, 1858, Catharine, dau. of Luke and Catharine (Fowle) Minott. He began here as clerk in a store and for many years was associated in trade with Samuel G. Kendall, after whose d., in 1885, he sold to the present occupant, Geo. W. Bruce, and rem. to Framingham where he now res. A man of genial spirit and pleasing address, he served the public acceptably both in his regular calling and as Postmaster—a position held by him, 1875–1885. Chn.:

2. LOUIS K., b. Oct. 30, 1859; d. Aug. 6, 1885. A young man of much promise.

3. FANNIE S., b. Jan. 1, 1870.

1. CHESMORE, REUBEN G., s. of Daniel and Polly (Gibson) Chesmore, was b. in Hopkinton, Vt., date unreported. He m.



Nov. 14, 1835, Elizabeth, dau. Abiel and Mary (Jenkins) Upton of Andover and came to W. the following Sept., locating on the Martin place, in the extreme No. part of the town. Mrs. C. d. Dec. 14, 1880, and he went to St. Joseph, Mo., in 1884, where he now res. with his only son. They had 2 chn.:

2. ANNA U., b. W.; m. Geo. H. Litchfield; res. Fg.; 2 chn. now in Fg.; d. Aug., 1881.
3. ALFRED M., b. W.; m. L. E. Brown and res. St. Joseph; 8 chn. He is a merchant, dealing in agricultural implements and supplies.

CHILD.

Two brothers, William¹ and Ephraim Child¹, came to N. E. as early as 1634 and set. in Watertown. They are sup. to have been natives of Nayland, Suffolk Co., Eng., but their parentage is not known. The first named had a son John², the f. of Daniel³, who m. Beriah Bemis and was the head of a large family, two of whom were res. of W., or its antecedent, Nar. No. 2, as stated below.

1. CHILD, JOSHUA⁴, was the s. of the last-named, b. Watertown, March 21, 1716-7. On the 9th of Feb., 1736-7, he purchased house lot No. 23, where Ephraim Lufkin now res., but did not take possession of it as an occupant till some five or six years afterward. He m. April 30, 1741, Grace Bemis, his cousin, by whom he had eight children, but it does not appear from the W. records that any of them were b. here. Possibly his w. was never a permanent resident, though he was paid a bounty for improving and settling his lot. He himself did not remain many years, but sold his estate Oct. 14, 1748, to his sister, "Susannah Child of Waltham, spinster," and soon after located in Lincoln, where he and his wife subsequently d.

2. CHILD, SUSANNAH⁴, sister of the last, was b. March 6, 1704-5, and succeeded by purchase as just stated to the ownership of lot No. 23. She lived in the house, built no doubt by her brother, at the northeastern extremity of the estate, near the line of the original Main street of the township as laid out by the Proprietors' committee in 1734. Some tokens of the site may still be recognized. (See A. H. No. 82.) In 1755 she sold the southern portion of the farm to Seth Herrington, her brother-in-law. She seems to have been a woman on her own account, living unmarried by herself and managing her own affairs. She was last taxed in 1783 and prob. d. during that or in the first months of the following year, a. ab. 78.

3. CHILD, DAVID⁵, s. of David⁴ and Grace (Brown) Child of Shy., and nephew of Joshua (1), was b. ab. 1745. He is first taxed in W. in 1770, and was m. to Lydia, dau. Thomas Stearns, of Lunenburg, prob. in 1774. Where he first lived does not appear, but he bought the westerly part of second division lot No. 118, in the Whitman River valley, April 1, 1783, upon which he located and spent the remainder of his days. It was the place now owned by Hugh Carey. He was a man of ability and good standing in town, holding the office of Assessor in 1789



and several subsequent years. He d. March 17, 1812, a. 67. His wife d. March 13, 1814, a. 62. Chn.:

4. SARAH⁶, b. Feb. 24, 1775; d. Oct. 17, 1785.
5. SUSANNAH⁶, b. Jan. 17, 1777; m. Luther Pratt, Reading, Vt.
6. THOMAS⁶, b. April 30, 1779; m. Lydia Adams; res. Enosburg, Vt.; 10 chn.
7. LYDIA⁶, b. March 14, 1781; d. Aug. 27, 1783.
8. JOHN⁶, b. March 20, 1783; d. unm.
9. SARAH⁶, { twins, { b. Dec. 17, 1785; m. Solomon Proctor.
10. LYDIA⁶, { twins, { b. Dec. 17, 1785; d. unm.
11. JONAS⁶, b. May 4, 1788; res. W. and Reading, Vt.; insane; d. unm. Jan. 20, 1819.
12. ANNA⁶, b. July 20, 1790; m. (1) Jonas Ward, and res. W.; (2) America Amsden.

Of the above named, Thomas (6), who settled at Enosburg, Vt., was a man of character and influence—a Justice of the Peace and Rep. in the State Legislature six years. He had 10 chn., two of his sons entering the legal profession, while two of his dau. m. physicians. Anna (12,) the youngest of the family, m. (1) Jonas, son of John and Copia (Rice) Ward in 1815, and lived on her father's place. After birth of three children her husband d. and she m. (2) America Amsden, removing to Cleveland, O., where she had sev. other chn. Some years ago she went to Vermont to res. with one of her sons. She celebrated the centennial of her birth July 20, 1890, but has since died.

13. CHILD, JOSEPH, ptge., etc., undetermined. He m. (1) Rachel —, ab. 1786, and had 4 chn., when she d. and he m. (2) Beulah —, ab. 1799, who bore him 4 more. Their names and dates of b. were :

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| 14. EPHRAIM, b. April 24, 1787. | 15. BETSEY, b. Oct. 6, 1791 (?). |
| 16. ASAPH, b. April 15, 1792. | 17. RACHEL, b. Nov. 14, 1793. |
| 18. LOVETT, b. March 5, 1800. | 19. LUCY, b. June 29, 1801. |
| 20. ISRAEL, b. July 16, 1803. | 21. HOLLIS, b. March 21, 1805. |

CHILDS, JAMES M., was s. of — and Mercy (Baker) Childs, b. Dorchester, March, 1827. He m. July 20, 1853, at Milford, Lucy, dau. of Sewall and Esther (Boyes) Worster, and subsequently set. in this town, first upon the Dike place, near the No. 3 Sc. Ho., but later on the Ezra Miller place, half a mile nearer the center. He d. June 17, 1892, a. 65, leaving a will in which he bequeathed one half of what should remain of his estate, after the death of his wid. and her aged mother, to the town, for the proper care of his burial lot, and for other cemetery uses.

CHURCH, JOSHUA, of Lancaster, ancestry, etc., unknown, m. Annis Johnson, Nov. 19, 1728. In 1743 he bought lot No. 74, on which the No. 3 Sc. Ho. now stands, and made the first improvements upon it. He retained possession till May 31, 1751, when he sold to Nicholas Dike of Lunenburg. He had 8 chn., most of whom were b. in Lanc.

1. CLARK, JAMES, b., ptge., ancestry, unknown, with w. Sarah and 3 chn., came from Weston, 1766, and were received into the household of Elijah Gibbs, as reported to the Selectmen. He soon became a holder of R. E. and was taxed accordingly.



Nothing has been learned of the family after its disappearance from the records in 1779. 7 chn. were b. here, making 10 in all:

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| 2. SILAS, b. April 25, 1768. | 3. ELIZABETH, b. March 15, 1770. |
| 4. JAMES, b. Jan. 14, 1772. | 5. JOHN, b. Feb. 7, 1774. |
| 6. SAMUEL, b. June 29, 1776. | 7. JOSIAH, b. March —, 1777?; d. inf. |
| 8. JOSIAH L., b. June 15, 1779. | |

9. CLARK, SAMUEL, ptge., etc., untraced, was b. Boston, May 25, 1780. His f. was a silversmith, who setting sail for Spain, was never heard of more. His mother was buried in the famous Copp's Hill cemetery. A sr. m. — Othman and had a s. Edward, a noted Methodist clergyman of 40 yrs. ago. Mr. C. m. (1) Dorcas, dau. of Aaron and Dorcas (Winship) Bolton (pub. May 15, 1806). She d. July 19, 1829, a. 50, and he m. (2) Polly, wid. of Asa Nichols of Gr., the dau. of Nathan Darby (pub. June 26, 1830). He d. July 14, 1868, a. 88. His wid. d. Aug. 14, 1871, a. 88. Little has been learned of their family save what appears in the following table of chn.:

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| 10. SUSANNAH, b. July 6, 1807. | 11. AARON B., b. Dec. 1, 1809; d. Oct. 16, 1834. |
| 12. JOSEPH, b. Aug. 20, 1811. | 13. Unnamed, b. June 1, 1813; d. infancy. |
| 14. SAMUEL H., b. Dec. 24, 1816; d. Sept. 12, 1817. | |
| 15. DORCAS, b. Nov. 10, 1819; d. May 12, 1835. | |

16. CLARK, JAMES M., s. of Phineas and Rebecca, was b. at Pittsford, Vt., in 1826. He came to W. in his early manhood and m. (1) Mary A., dau. of Edmund and Mary (Derby) Nichols, Nov. 25, 1847. He worked at chairmaking and was an active citizen of the town, holding the office of Selectman in 1866 and 1867. His wife Mary d. without issue, March 12, 1858, and he m. (2) her sr. Lucy, Jan. 22, 1859, by whom he had 2 chn. She d. Aug. 29, 1869, and in 1870 he rem. to Jamestown, N. Y. After a few years he went to New Castle, Pa., where he m. (3) — Wilder, who also bore him 2 chn. He d. ab. 1888, a. 62. Chn. b. W.:

FLORENCE M., b. Sept. 3, 1862; m. Lewis Travers; res. Two Rivers, Wis.; 1 chd.
ALICE N., b. June 14, 1865; res. Two Rivers, Wis., unm.

1. COBB, SAMUEL, descent untraced, came to W. early in the century, and March 23, 1806, was pub. to Lucinda, dau. of Dr. Abishai and Abial (Slone) Shumway. He first worked at carpentering, but afterward engaged in trade for a few yrs. with his bro. (?) David in the Shumway store, which stood where the Baptist church now is. What became of him is not known. His w. d. 1818, a. 33. Chd.:

2. MELECINDA, b. Jan. 30, 1808; m. (1) Charles Sawyer, (2) Reuben Fisher; had chn.

3. COBB, DAVID, possibly bro. of the last and partner in trade as stated. Dissolving the partnership, he bought, in 1815, an interest in the Bradbury store, then run by Zadoc Sawyer, but two years later disposed of the same. He rem. to West-



moreland, N. H., where all trace of him is lost. By his w. Esther he had :

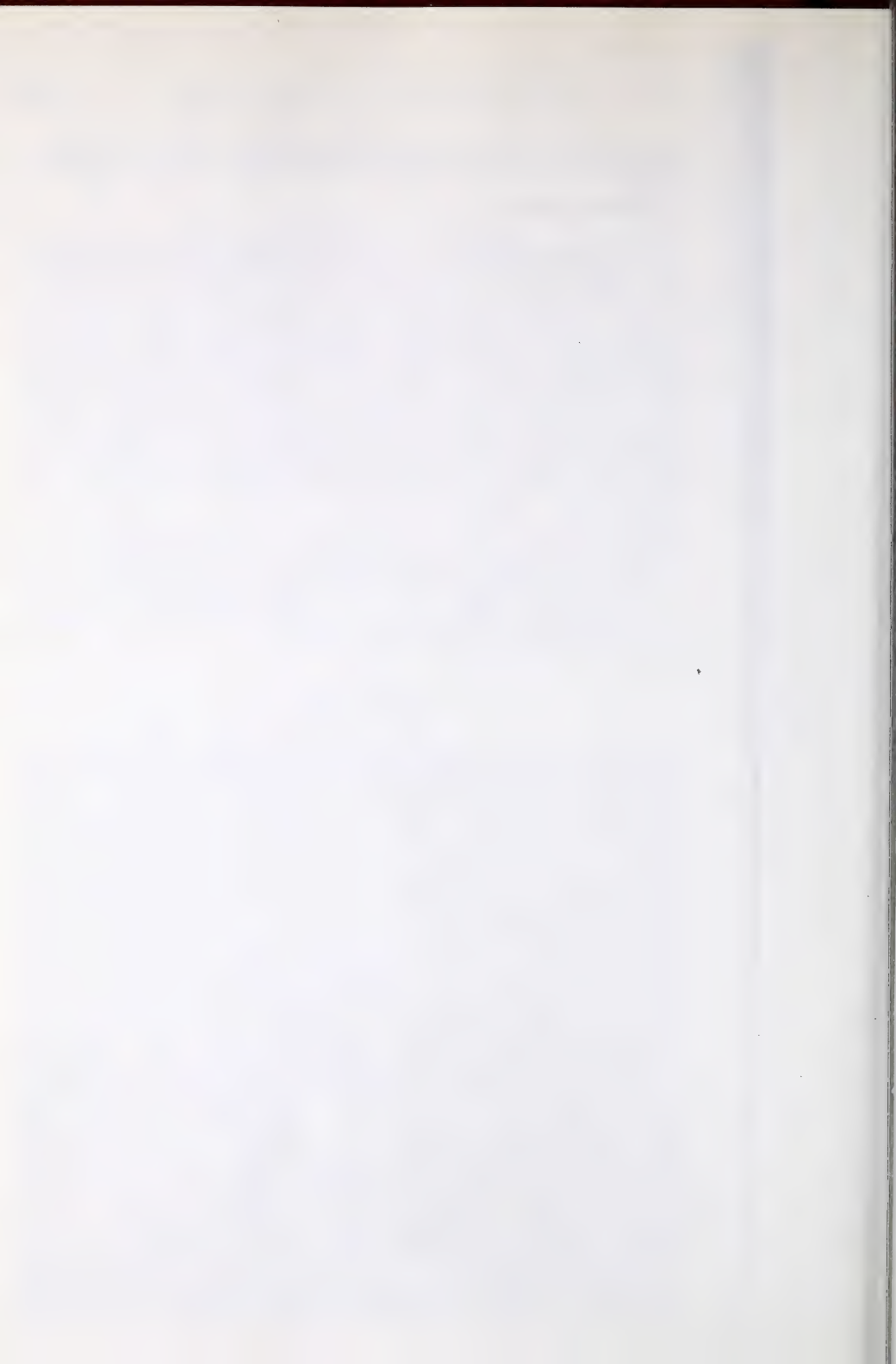
4. LORENZO, b. Nov. 3, 1816.

1. COLBURN, JOSIAH, s. of Nathaniel and Tabitha (Headley), was b. Leominster, Jan. 23, 1754, and m. Joanna, dau. Joshua Wood, Dec. 18, 1777. Ab. 1782 he came to W. and located as the first settler on the farm recently known as the Amos P. Spalding place, adjoining Gr. When that town was incorporated, his estate was included in its territory, but he was permitted to remain here by signifying his wish, in a document still extant, to the Gen. Ct. In 1798 he sold his house and a small lot of land to John Dunn, the principal part of it having been previously disposed of to Jacob Jewett and Edward Wilkins of Marlboro'. He went to Rindge, N. H., where he d. in 1835, a. 81. His w. d. 1832. Chn.:

2. JOSIAH, b. June 19, 1779; m. Olive Pollard; res. Boston and St Louis.
3. ELIZA, b. Jan. 25, 1781; m. John Bancroft and — Gray; res. Rindge; 7 chn.
4. JOSHUA, b. Feb. 28, 1783; m. Eunice Jones; res. Boston; d. 1874
5. NANCY, b. Feb. 2, 1785; d. infancy. 6. ASA, b. July 21, 1786.
7. CALEB, b. Sept. 5, 1788. 8. NANCY, b. 1790; m. John Streeter.
9. LUKE, b. Jan. 6, 1794; d. unm. June 2, 1816.
10. FANNY, b. Dec. 28, 1798.

CONANT.

This name is a very ancient one and presumably of Celtic origin. A family bearing it lived in Devonshire in 1327, from which, it is prob., the Am. Conants descended, their immigrant progenitor, Roger Conant¹, coming from E. Budleigh in the same Co. He was s. of Richard and Agnes Clark, and was bap. April 9, 1592. Being an enthusiastic Puritan, he migrated to Plymouth in 1623, in order that he might the better enjoy his faith and promote its interests. He was one of the party who soon after went to Nantasket (Hull) to make a settlement. Ab. this time the Dorchester Co., an association of gentlemen organized for the purpose of carrying on the fishing business along the shores of the new world, resolved upon establishing a colony on Cape Ann, and hearing of Mr. Conant as "a pious, sober, prudent gentleman," appointed him manager of the undertaking—a position he was pleased to accept. He accordingly transferred his residence to the other side of Mass. Bay and entered upon the duties assigned him. The enterprise proving unsuccessful as a business venture, was ere long abandoned, but Conant and a few others determined upon forming a colony by themselves and remaining in possession of the territory. They soon, however, removed to Naumkeag (Salem), deeming the location more desirable for a permanent home. Meanwhile the English corporation, which had obtained control of all the lands in that section of the country from the Crown, regardless of the agreement made with the Dorchester Co., under which Conant and his associates claimed the right of occupancy, sold the entire tract lying between the Merrimack and Charles rivers to John Endicott and five others, who organized under the name of "the Colony of Mass. Bay," with Matthew Craddock as Gov. In 1628 Endicott and 100 companions came over to establish a plantation. Upon arriving, they found Conant and his men in possession of the locality they designed to occupy, and there seemed likely to be a collision between the two parties concerned. But mutual statements and explanations were made, friendly counsels prevailed, and no serious consequences ensued; Conant and his coadjutors



consenting to unite with the new-comers in the spirit of friendly co-operation and harmony,—the place being thenceforward called Salem, the city of peace.

The following year a reinforcement of 400 others—men, women, and children—with large numbers of horses, cattle, sheep, tools, etc., arrived, and in 1630, 1000 more with supplies in still greater abundance, in charge of John Winthrop, who had superseded Craddock as Gov. of the Corporation and who had been authorized to assume control of operations in place of Endicott, the hitherto local and temporary manager. In this way was established the colony which became, 150 yrs. later, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, of which colony Roger Conant was the forerunner and in a certain sense the first Gov.

Before leaving the old country Mr. Conant m. Sarah Horton, of whom was b., prob. at Nantasket in 1624, a s. to whom was given the name of Lot². He m. Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. Mr. Walton of Camb., Eng., and had Roger³, b. March 10, 1668–9, who in turn m. Mary Raymond and became the f. of a large fam. Residing till 1720 in Beverly, whither his g.d.f. after a few yrs. had gone, he then rem. to Concord, from which place two of his sons came to W. at an early day in its history, as below noted.

I. CONANT, EBENEZER⁴, s. of Roger³ and Mary (Raymond) Conant, was b. at Beverly, Dec. 30, 1698. In company with his bro. Thomas he purchased, July 10, 1750, lots Nos. 113 and 114, comprising what has more recently been known as the homestead of Daniel Foskett, Jr., on the road to Everettville, and lands lying between that and Wachusett Lake. He prob. took up his abode there soon after, inasmuch as on the 1st of July the following year he had "cleared four acres, raised a house and had his family" with him. In Dec., 1752, he sold his right in the lots indicated to his bro., and subsequently moved to Ash., where some of his family became prominent in public affairs and where he d. Oct. 24, 1784, at the a. of 85. His w., Ruth (Pierce) Conant, whom he m. ab. 1733, d. 13 yrs. later, Nov. 19, 1797. Chn.:

2. MARY⁵, b. Conc. Feb. 17, 1734; m. — Fuller, Fg.
3. LYDIA⁵, b. Conc. Aug. 12, 1737; no rec. found; prob. d. infancy.
4. HANNAH⁵, b. Conc. Feb. 12, 1740; m. Josiah Dodge; res. Ash. and Machias, Me.; 8 chn. [Aug. 3, 1783.]
5. EBENEZER⁵, b. Conc. Aug. 11, 1743; m. Lydia Oakes; res. Ash.; 7 chn.; d.
6. EUNICE⁵, b. Conc. Dec. 4, 1745; m. Silas Kendall; res. W. and Framingham.
7. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Conc. Oct. 27, 1749; m. — Sellingham; res. Ash.
8. RUTH⁵, b. W. April 11, 1752; m. Moses Ware; res. Ash. and Fitzwilliam, N. H.
9. ELIZABETH⁵, b. W. April 18, 1755; m. Moses Tottingham; res. Ash.; 9 chn.; d. Jan. 5, 1777.

IO. CONANT, THOMAS⁴, bro. of Ebenezer, b. at Beverly, March 29, 1718, was associated with him in the purchase of lots Nos. 113 and 114, as stated above. Four days later he bought in his own right lot No. 4, bounding S. W. on the Main St., Central Village, where he had lands cleared and a house built a year afterward. In 1759 he sold that property to John Brooks and succeeded Ebenezer on lot No. 113. He m. Hannah (family name unkn.), and had 3 chn. b. in W., whose names are given below, and perhaps others before coming here, among whom may have been a Martha, who m. David Merriam in July, 1769. The records, however, give only the following:



11. HANNAH⁵, b. Nov. 13, 1754; m. John Estabrook, Jr.; no chn.; d. Dec. 20, 1837.
12. JOSIAH⁵, b. Nov. 19, 1758; m. Annis Darby; res. Gr.; 14 chn.; d. 1835.
13. THOMAS⁵, b. Aug. 6, 1763; m. three times; res. W.

Thomas Conant, Sen., d. July 20, 1813, a. 95. Hannah, his w., d. Jan. 4, 1826, a. 96. The oldest son, Josiah (12), m. Annis, dau. of Nathan and Abigail (Pierce) Darby, Nov., 1784, and set. in Gr. They had 14 chn., through whom they are still largely and honorably represented in that town. Two grandsons, John R. (now dec'd) and Charles W., have been identified with its business interests and taken active part in its political affairs as well as in its social life. The latter has been a member of the lower house of the Mass. Legislature.

[13.] CONANT, THOMAS⁵, s. of Thomas⁴ and Hannah Conant, m. (1) Ruth Rice of Gardner Farms (No-town) Dec. 21, 1784. He occupied for many yrs. his f.'s est., but eventually sold it and l. thereafter in different localities about tn. His first w., after bearing him 4 chn., d. July 25, 1797, and he m. (2) Polly Brown of Sterling, on the 20th of the following Dec., by whom he had 2 chn. She d. March 3, 1826, a. 60, and he m. (3) Betsey Morse, who died s. p. Dec. 1, 1850. He d. Feb. 11, 1852, a. 88,—the last of his name in tn. Chn.:

14. POLLY⁶, b. April 16, 1785; d. 1797.
15. SALLY⁶, b. Aug. 16, 1787; m. Joseph Estabrook; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. Jan. 22, 1870.
16. NATHAN⁶, b. April 30, 1790; d. May 13, 1790.
17. LEVI⁶, b. April 7, 1791; d. 1804.
18. JOHN S.⁶, b. Aug. 15, 1799; m. but had no chn.
19. LUCINDA⁶; m. Elmer Baker; res. W.

20. CONANT, AMOS⁵, assumed to be s. of Israel⁴ and gd.s. of Roger³ of Concord by the author of "Conant Family," was b. at Concord, Jan. 28, 1737, his mother's maiden name having been Martha Lamson. He m. Mary Bowers of Lanc., Dec. 4, 1763, and after residing at Stow a short time rem. to W., purchasing, Oct. 10, 1764, lot No. 46, 2d Div., on which John P. Roper now res., of Ezekiel Davis, who prob. first improved and occupied it. Sept. 18, 1773, he sold his farm to Wm. Murdock of Newton, but remained in town till 1782, when his name drops out of the tax lists. He went hence to Halifax, Vt., but left there for Jericho, now Bainbridge, N. Y., ab. 1800, where he spent the remainder of his days, dying Dec. 8, 1817, a. 80. Mary (Bowers) Conant d. Feb. 22, 1824. Chn.:

21. SALLY⁶, b. Jan. 15, 1766; d. Jan. 30, 1769. [17, 1847.
22. LEVI⁶, b. May 7, 1768; lived in Colrain and Moreau, N. Y.; 7 chn.; d. Feb. 1805.
23. SALLY⁶, b. May 25, 1770; d. Halifax, Vt., July 28, 1785.
24. ISRAEL⁶, b. March 6, 1772; a college grad.(?); m. but had no chn.; d. N. Y. City, Sept. 24, 1807.
25. POLLY⁶, b. March 2, 1775; m. James Hervey; 1 chd.; res. Halifax, Vt.; d. 1817.
26. WILLIAM⁶, b. Dec. 2, 1777; d. Jericho, N. Y., Oct. 10, 1805.
27. JAMES⁶, b. March 4, 1780; d. Jericho, N. Y., June 25, 1807.
28. ABEL⁶, b. March 1, 1782; m. Asenath —; res. Bainbridge, N. Y.; 6 chn.; d. Sept. 5, 1840.
29. REUBEN⁶, b. Nov. 3, 1784; d. Jericho, N. Y., Oct. 10, 1805.
30. BETSEY⁶, b. May 25, 1788; m. prob. Stephen Fosbury; res. Bainbridge, N. Y.; 2 chn.; d. May 15, 1847.
31. LEAFIA⁶, b. Oct. 9, 1791; m. but soon died s. p.

1. COOK, RUFUS B., s. of Amos, b. Chester, Vt., Oct. 28, 1832, m. Dec. 7, 1854, Susan M., dau. of Daniel and Lucinda



(Seaver) Foskett, and set. in tn. His w. d. May 9, 1886, a. 49, and he d. Jan. 14, 1892, a. 59. Chn.:

2. LEVI, b. June 22, 1860; m. Ada E. Puffer; res. W.
3. NELLIE, b. May 20, 1862.
4. ABBIE, b. Nov. 19, 1868; m. Wm. C. Bell; res. W.; 1 chd.
5. EMMA D., b. Jan. 13, 1877.

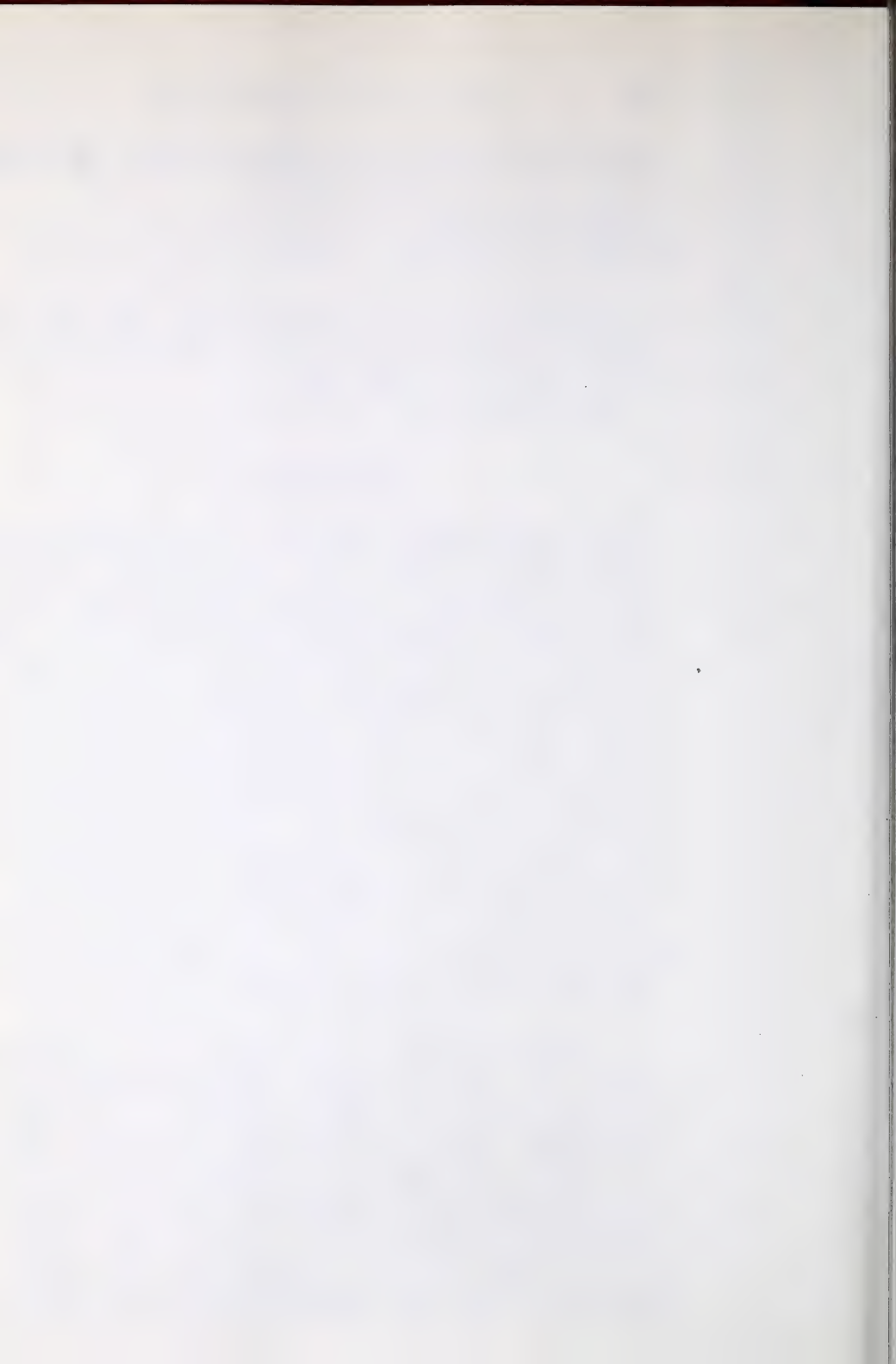
[2.] COOK, LEVI, s. of the last, m. Ada E., dau. of Merrick H. and Melissa (Everett) Puffer, Jan. 25, 1883. His death was occasioned by breaking through the ice on Meetinghouse Pond and drowning, Jan. 16, 1889. Chn.:

6. CLARENCE B., b. Dec. 7, 1883; d. June 6, 1885.
7. LAURA L., b. July 29, 1886.

COOLIDGE.

This name, under different orthographical forms — Colynge, Coalyng, Coalidg, Cooladge, Cooledge, etc., — is to be occasionally found through a long period of English history. It dates back to 1327, more than five and a half centuries ago, when it appears for the first time, so far as is known, in the Subsidy Rolls of the Kingdom. It prevailed somewhat extensively in and about the city of Cambridge, during the reign of Henry VIII, when a branch of the family designated by it, residing in that locality, had risen to great wealth and high social standing. In the parish of Arrington lived one Thomas Colynge, whose will was dated Feb. 11, 1495, from whom, by a regular succession of generations in the line of John, Thomas, John, Simeon, William, who m. Margaret —, descended John, the immigrant ancestor of most, if not all, of those bearing the name in this part of the country. This John¹ was bap. Sept. 16, 1604, and coming to these shores in early manhood, soon after the Mass. Colony was founded, settled at Watertown, of which he was one of the first proprietors and a leading citizen. He was made freeman there in 1636. From all that can be learned of him, it appears that he was a man of ability, character, public spirit, and good repute. For some years he served as one of the Selectmen, a position to which, in those days, only high-minded, honorable, and trustworthy citizens were called. He had a son Nathaniel², the father of John³, who settled in Cambridge and became there a deacon in the church, attaining in that way the title by which he was afterward known. Dea. John³ m. Margaret Bond, and had among other chn. Henry⁴, b. Nov. 13, 1717, who m. Sept. 12, 1747, Phebe Dana, and settled in that part of the town called "Little Cambridge," now Brighton. The latter was the f. of Caleb⁵, who m. Fanny —, and late in life came to W. to reside with one of his chn., dying here Nov. 2, 1815.

1. COOLIDGE, HENRY⁶, s. of the last-named, was b. Brighton, Aug. 4, 1777. Upon attaining his majority he migrated to W. and m. (1) Lovisa, dau. of Nathan and Elizabeth Wetherbee (pub. May 13, 1800). He purchased lot No. 31, 2d Div., lying west of where Eugene Gates now res., Jan. 10, 1802. (See A. H. No. 31.) He seems to have occupied the place but ab. a year, when he sold to Ezra Darby and took up his abode on lot 34, 2d Div., the present homestead of Fred Graham, originally improved and occupied by Asa Taft. A few yrs. later he built the ho. half a mile nearer the village, afterwards the residence of his s., J. Russell Coolidge, in which he l. awhile. His w. Lovisa dying in 1816, he m. Elizabeth, dau. of Ezra and Rachel



(Tottingham) Taylor (pub. May 2, 1818), and subsequently moved into the dwelling erected by her f. on the corner of Bacon and Eliot Sts. He finally left tn. and spent the last yrs. of his life in Erving, where he d. May 6, 1861, a. 83. His wid. Elizabeth d. Feb. 23, 1867. Chn.:

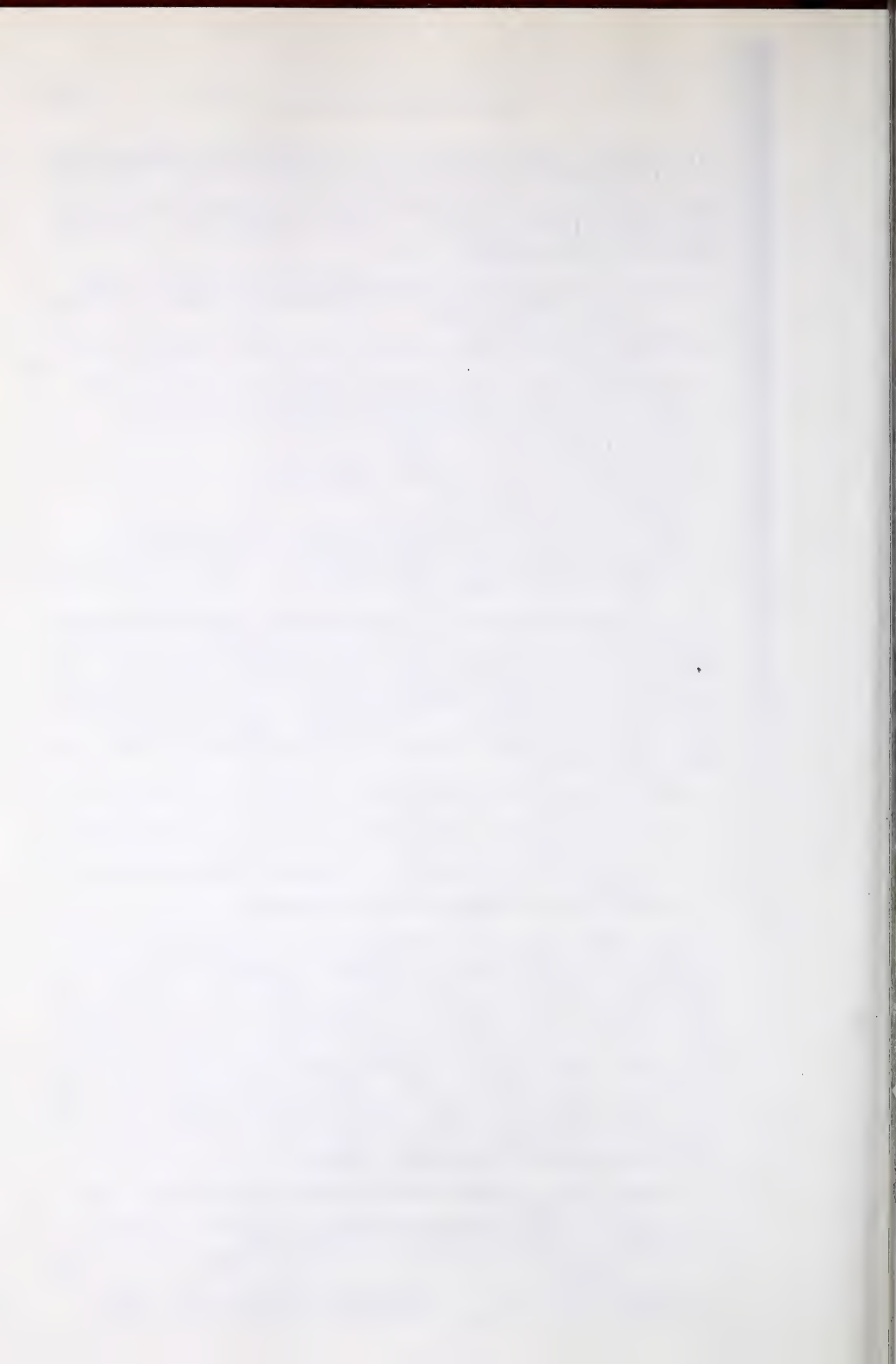
2. HENRY⁷, b. July 19, 1800; m. Mary Moore; res. W., etc.; d. Dec. 30, 1864.
3. J. RUSSELL⁷, b. March 7, 1802; m. (1) Lucinda Gates; (2) Wid. Lane; res. Gr. and W.; d. May 24, 1865.
4. Unnamed⁷, b. 1803; d. 1805.
5. FRANCIS⁷, b. May 13, 1805; m. Harriet Jackson; res. W. and Erving; d. Feb. 5, 1868.
6. CHARLES⁷, b. Feb. 4, 1807; m. Nancy Spalding; res. W.; d. May 23, 1866.
7. MARY ANN⁷, b. March 4, 1809; m. Amos Morrill; res. W.; 4 chn.
8. WENDELL⁷, b. May, 1812; m. Emily —; 4 chn.
9. STRONG⁷, b. April 20, 1814; d. March 20, 1816.
10. JOSEPH TAYLOR⁷, b. Dec. 11, 1818; d. Aug. 27, 1823.
11. ABIAL WINSHIP⁷, b. May 8, 1820; d. Sept. 3, 1823.
12. —⁷, b. 1822; d. Aug. 18, 1823.
13. LOUISA⁷, b. May 22, 1824; d. infancy.
14. MARIA⁷; m. Jonathan Temple; res. No. Orange; 2 chn.; living West.
15. EMELINE⁷, b. April 15, 1827; m. Geo. Gates; res. Gr.; 5 chn.; dec'd.
16. SARAH⁷, b. Dec. 22, 1830; m. Walter Gates and I. P. Gould; res. Gr., etc.; 1.
17. HARRIET⁷, b. Aug. 4, 1834; d. Aug. 10, 1852.

[2.] COOLIDGE, HENRY⁷, s. of Henry⁶ and Lovisa (Wetherbee) Coolidge, was b. July 19, 1800, and m. Mary Moore of Frances-town, N. H. He res. in W. sev. yrs., receiving while here the appointment of Deputy Sheriff of Worc. Co., and holding sev. subordinate town offices. He rem. ab. 1834 to Niles, Mich., where he d. Dec. 30, 1864, a. 64. His w., Mary, d. Dec. 30, 1860, a. 64. Chn.:

18. MARY FRANCES⁸, b. May 28, 1825; m. — Harding; res. Niles, Mich.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 2, 1845.
19. SALLY SANDERSON⁸, b. April 3, 1827; m. — Gephart; res. Niles, Mich.; 1 chd.; living.
20. MARTHA ANN⁸, b. Feb. 10, 1830; m. — Lyon; res. Jackson, Mich.; 12 chn.; living.
21. HENRY JACKSON⁸, b. March 20, 1832; m. and had 8 chn.

[3.] COOLIDGE, JOHN RUSSELL⁷, bro. of the last, m. (1) Lucinda, dau. of Nathan and Abigail (Knowlton) Gates, 1823. He first set. on the so-called Chappelle place in the east part of Gr., where his chn. were b. He afterwards rem. to W., residing in the ho. built by his f., referred to above, on the Winchendon road, three-fourths of a mile from the village. His w., Lucinda, d. Gr. Nov. 29, 1835, and he m. (2) wid. Mary W. Lane, the mother of 5 chn. He d. May 24, 1865, a. 63; his second w. d. at Groton at the home of her son. The chn. of J. R. Coolidge, all by his first w., were:

22. LOVISA⁸, b. Jan. 5, 1824; m. Robert G. Reed; res. Gr. and Ash.; 8 chn.; d. Dec. 24, 1887.
23. LUCINDA⁸, b. May 24, 1826; m. Seth Tisdale; res. Leom.; 5 chn.; living.
24. CALVIN⁸, b. March 5, 1828; unm.; res. Cleveland, Ohio.
25. JOHN⁸, b. Jan. 30, 1830; m. Lucy A. Stearns; res. Leom.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 3, 1886.
26. LOUISA⁸, b. Jan. 1, 1832; m. Emory Ballard; res. Boston; 3 chn.; living.
27. LUCY⁸, b. March 27, 1833; m. John Tisdale; res. Leom.; 4 chn.; living.



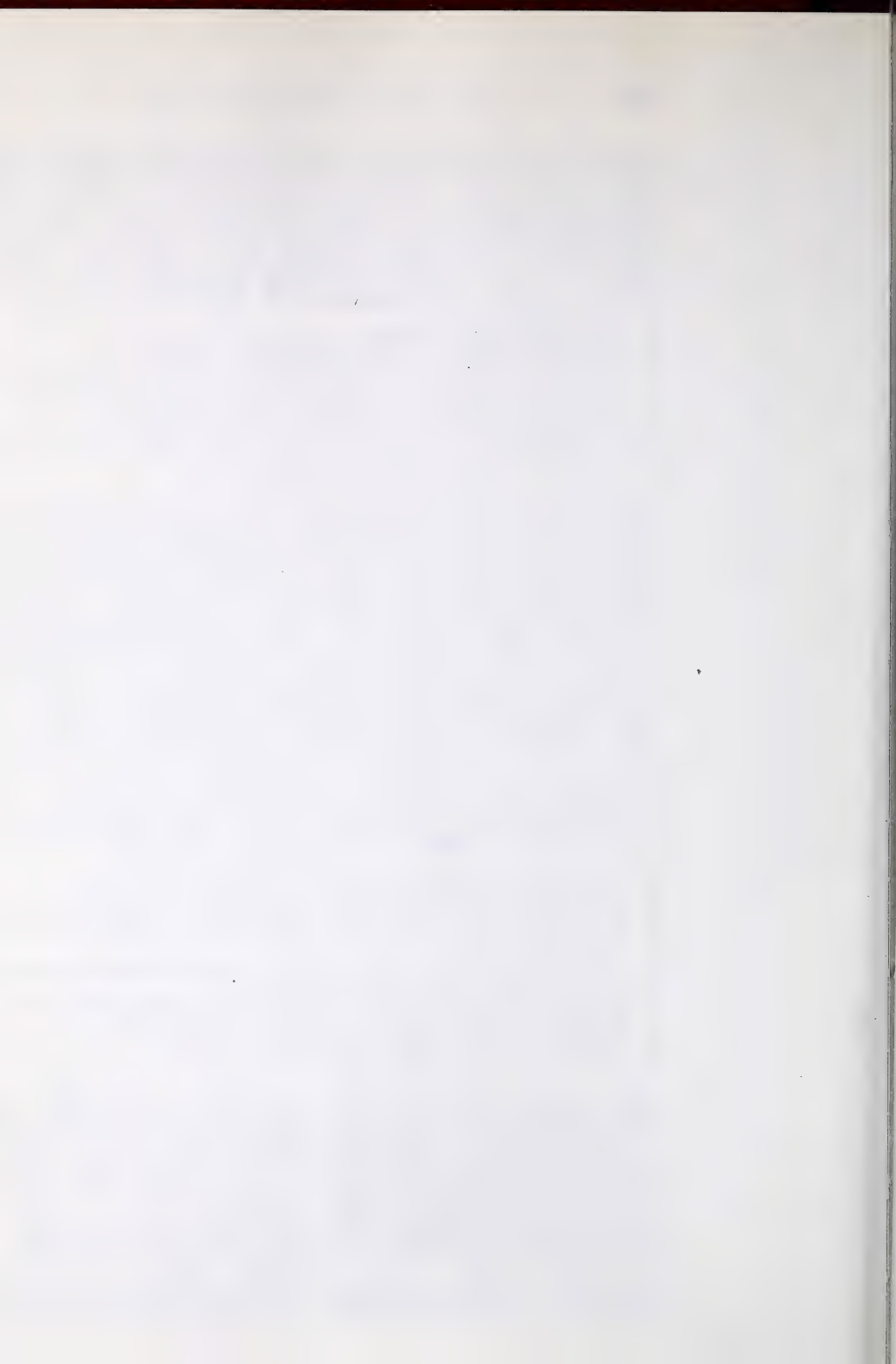
[5.] COOLIDGE, FRANCIS⁷, bro. of the preceding, m. Harriet, dau. of John and Susannah (Sawyer) Jackson, Sept. 18, 1834. He was associated with his younger bro., Charles, for a few yrs. in the manufacture of chairs in tn., but sold his interest ab. 1840 and rem. to Erving, where he d. Feb. 5, 1868, a. 62. After leaving W. he was engaged in getting out cardboards and match sticks. His w. d. at Erving, Sept. 30, 1862, a. 52. Chn.:

28. Unnamed⁸, b. 1835?; d. infancy.
29. FRANCIS JACKSON⁸, b. W. 1837?; m. wid. Mary L. Heath; 1 chd.
30. EDWARD⁸, b. Erving, 1840?; m. Lizzie Gates; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.
31. AUGUSTUS⁸, b. Erving, Oct. 2, 1842; m. Hannah P. Blake; res. Athol; no chn.; living.
32. HORACE W.⁸, b. Aug. 2, 1844; m. Eliza J. Thayer; 1 chd.; living.
33. ALBERT B.⁸, b. Wendell, July 16, 1849; m. Maria Whitman; res. Worc.; 1 chd.; living.
34. JOHN V.⁸, b. Wendell, May 24, 1852; d. Dec. 24, 1852.

[6.] COOLIDGE, CHARLES⁷, bro. of the last three, m. May 12, 1831, Nancy, dau. of Timothy and Lydia (Moore) Spalding of Francestown, N. H. He was a chairmaker, beginning in a small way at a little shop, whose foundations may still be seen, located on an insignificant brook in the woods eighty rods west of where Eugene Gates now l. After a few yrs. he moved to the Bigelow Mill near the village, in the rear of the recent spacious manufactory of Nichols Bros. Under more favorable conditions and with greatly improved facilities, he built up a large business for those days, and did much to enhance the industrial interests of the tn. In the early part of his career his bro. Francis was associated with him as before stated. He d. May 23, 1866, a. 59; his w., Nancy (Spalding) Coolidge, d. at Grand Haven, Mich., where she had been living some yrs. with her dau., May 20, 1886, but was buried at W. Chn.:

35. HARRIET ANN⁸, b. March 11, 1832; m. Charles Cutler; res. Mich.; 1 chd.
36. CHAS. MILTON⁸, b. May 10, 1835; unm.; studied law; res. unknown.
37. JOSEPH F.⁸, b. Sept. 11, 1837; studied med.; res. Groton; d. unm. June 1, 1865.
38. MARCUS M.⁸, b. Aug. 27, 1839; unm.; killed in battle, Booneville, Mo., June 17, 1861.
39. FREDERICK S.⁸, b. Dec. 7, 1841; m. Ellen D. Allen; res. W. and Ash.; living.
40. CLARK HENRY⁸, b. May 8, 1844; d. Sept. 12, 1845.
41. CLINTON W.⁸, b. Dec. 25, 1846; m. Phebe Mason; res. Detroit, Mich.; 1 chd.; l.
42. HELEN E.⁸, b. Dec. 25, 1848; unm.; lives at Grand Haven, Mich.
43. FRANK E.⁸, b. Aug. 18, 1851; m. and res. San Francisco, Cal.
44. JEROME C.⁸, b. Aug. 11, 1853; d. Sept. 11, 1854.

[39.] COOLIDGE, FREDERICK SPALDING⁸, s. of the last, m. Ellen Drusilla, dau. of Elijah and Wealthy (Brigham) Allen of Townshend, Vt., Nov. 16, 1864. He succeeded his f. in business, continuing the manufacture of chairs till Oct., 1876, when his works were destroyed by fire. He rem. to Leom. the following yr. and thence to Ash., where he still res. He is manager of the Boston Chair Manufacturing Co. and also of the Leominster Rattan Works. While in W. he was active in tn. affairs and much interested in national politics, being a pronounced Democrat of the modern school. He served the tn. as Select-





HON. FREDERICK S. COOLIDGE.

W. P. ALLEN, GARDNER, MASS.



man 3 yrs. and represented his District in the Mass. Legislature of 1875. He was for some time member of the Democratic State Central Committee. By reason of a split among the Republicans of the eleventh Congressional District, he was elected in the autumn of 1890 to a seat in the lower house of the Fifty-second Congress as the successor of Hon. Rodney Wallace of Fg. He has served during the first session with credit to himself, and no doubt to the satisfaction of those who voted for him. Chn.:

45. MARCUS ALLEN⁹, b. Oct. 6, 1865; unm.; res. Ash.

46. CORA HELEN⁹, b. Dec. 16, 1866; a grad. of Smith College in 1892.

47. JEROME FRED.⁹, b. July 19, 1868; d. Oct. 4, 1868.

48. COOLIDGE, CHARLES⁶, s. of Caleb and Fanny, as the record of his d. states, and brother of Henry (1), m. Sarah Perry and spent the greater part of his active life in W. He d. May 5, 1850, and his w., Sarah P., d. at Leominster, where she had lived some years with her chn., Dec., 1864. They had:

49. GEORGE⁷, b. 1820; m. Lucy Watkins; res. Boston; 1 chd.; living.

50. MARY A.⁷, b. Sept. 8, 1822; m. B. F. Blodgett; res. Leom.; 6 chn.; living.

51. HARRIET⁷, b. 1826; m. Leonard Litchfield; res. Kansas; dec'd.

52. LEONORA⁷, b. Dec. 13, 1832; m. John Stone; res. Leom., etc.; 5 chn.; living.
Prob. there was another child who d. March 28, 1837.

53. COOLEIDGE, REV. CHARLES E., s. of Daniel and Lucy W., was b. Lowell, Aug. 16, 1848. Though spelling his name with an *e* instead of an *i*, he is with very little doubt of the same original stock as those mentioned on the last few pages. Outside of and beyond the public schools, he was educated at Phillips Academy, Amherst College, and Andover Theological Seminary, graduating at the last institution in July, 1870. He was ordained to the work of the Chn. Ministry at Holyoke in May, 1871, and after preaching there awhile and at No. Brookfield, came to W. in 1872 and assumed the pastorate of the First Cong. chh. and parish,—a position held by him for more than 8 yrs. His ministry here was a happy and successful one; his influence for good being felt and acknowledged by those outside his own denominational boundaries, and he left town sharing the kindly regard of all who knew him. He afterwards preached at Haverhill, and for 8 yrs. past has been at Collinsville, Conn. He is the author of one book of a consolatory character, entitled; "The Sunny Side of Bereavement, as illustrated by Tennyson's 'In Memoriam.'" While here he m. Oct. 24, 1877, C. L., dau. of Samuel A. and Pauline Burns of Boston, but has no chn.

1. COOPER, JEDEDIAH, ptge., etc., unknown, but per. s. of Moses and Ruth Cooper of Lanc. b. ab. 1740, came to W. soon after attaining his majority, being taxed here in 1763. He had, however, previously purchased lot No. 43, 2d Div., in the extreme No. part of the town, upon which he settled and spent his days.



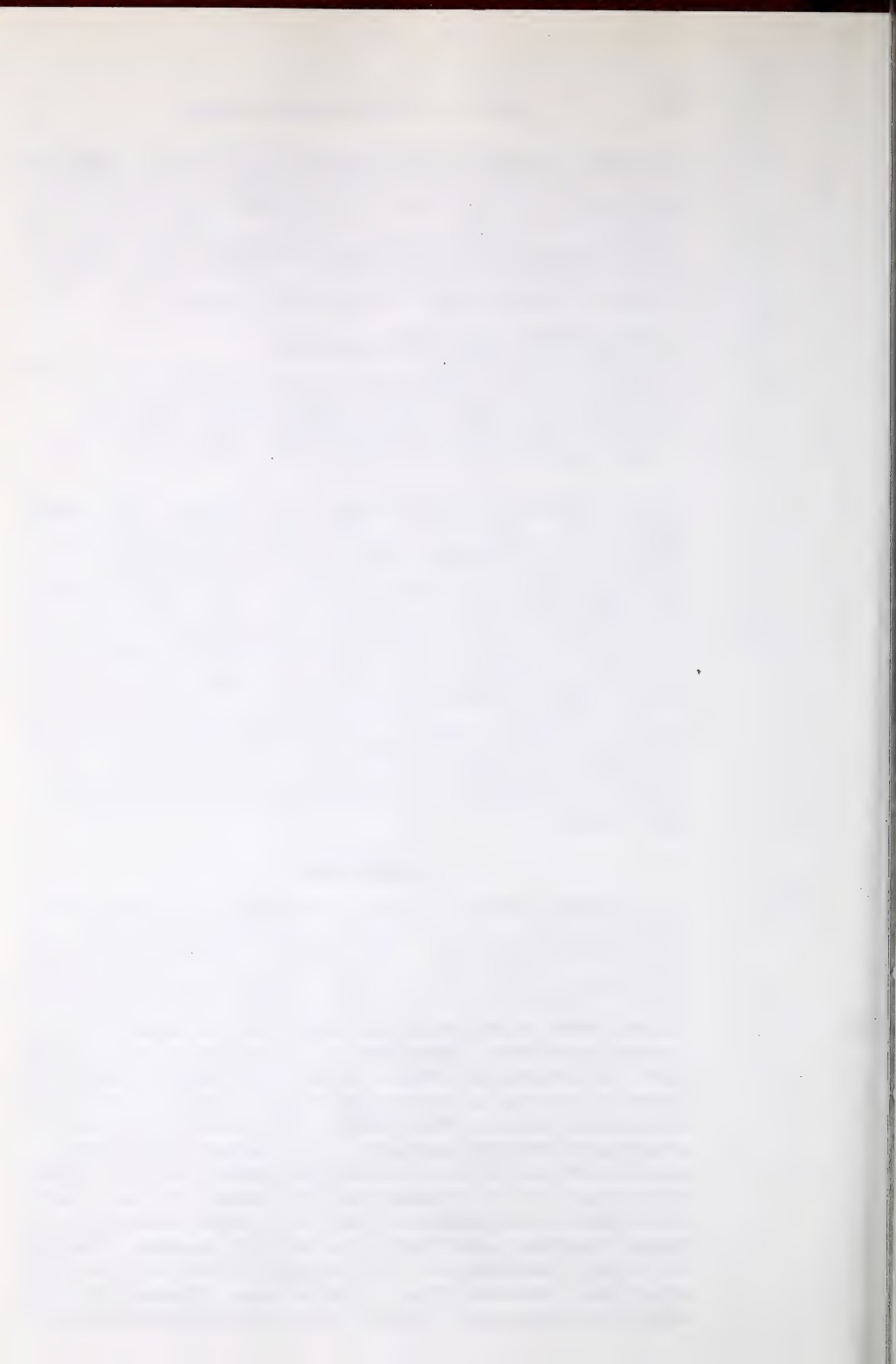
He opened a store on his premises in 1772, and in 1773 was licensed as an innholder, in which capacity he served the public many years. His sign bore the significant inscription, "Pay to-day and I'll trust to-morrow." Feb. 21, 1772, he was pub. to Mary Howlett (Hall) of the Dutch settlement, Ash. Dates of death of Jedediah and Mary, unknown, and but little is given of their chn. named below, as found in the records, etc.:

2. PHEBE, b. Feb. 19, 1774; d. unm.
3. HENRY, b. Nov. 4, 1776; nothing learned of him.
4. LEONARD, b. 1778; d. young.
5. JEDEDIAH, b. April 4, 1780?; unm.; lived and d. in Swanzey, N. H.
6. CHARLOTTE, b. Feb. 29, 1781; m. — Stone, Ash.; went West; 4 chn.?
7. SAMUEL, b. Jan. 22, 1783; succeeded to estate of f. and d. unm.
8. MOSES, b. June 20, 1788; m. Sarah Gibson, Fg.; had chn.; d. June 17, 1831.
9. POLLY (MARY) HALL, b. June 16, 1791; d. unm.

COREY, NATHAN, ptge., birthplace, etc., unknown. He was of Stow in 1802, where he was pub., Aug. 8, to Eunice, dau. of Joseph Sawyer of Bolton. After engaging in trade awhile in S. he rem. to Bolton, and thence to W. ab. 1812, where he bought "the Forge" property at Wachusettville. He took down the iron works and erected, just below, a cotton factory in which he manufactured goods for a few years. In 1818, he sold the factory and its belongings, and having purchased the lot in the central village opp. the bakery, erected the house now standing upon it, and using a part of it for a shop, engaged in making chairs, while he remained in town. May 16, 1833, he sold to Joel Wood, and left the place. A man of enterprise and perseverance, he yet seems to have lacked some of the elements of success in life. No chn.

COWEE.

I. COWEE, JAMES¹, or Cohee, according to his own orthography, an early res. of W., was b. in the old world in 1726 or '27, of an unknown parentage. He was the ancestor of all those distinguished by that name in this vicinity, if not in the entire country. While yet a lad, as the story goes, his mother died. A step-mother coming into the family did not take kindly to him and his brother Bartholomew, but neglected and abused them. Whereupon the father, as they grew towards manhood, conceived the idea of sending them to America, to seek their fortune and work out their destiny. He accordingly made an arrangement with the captain of a vessel about to sail thither — a personal friend of his — to take the youths with him, paying him liberally for their passage and entrusting him with additional funds to be given them when they should disembark, as a means of getting a start in the land of their adoption. During the voyage, Bartholomew, the younger of the brothers, died, which was a sad misfortune to the survivor. Besides, the captain of the ship proved recreant to his trust, betraying the con-



fidence of a friend and cheating an innocent, destitute, and needy young man—a stranger among strangers—out of his rightful due. He not only withheld from the inexperienced lad what he had received from the father for the sons' special use and benefit, to be duly paid upon landing here, but actually sold him into temporary service, as the custom sometimes was in those days, for the second payment of the passage money across the sea.

The term of the young man's servitude expiring, he worked his way back into the country among the new settlements, tarrying here and there as he could find employment and a chance to earn something for the supply of his personal needs. Arriving at length, in his desultory wanderings, at Chocksett (now Sterling) he remained there awhile, but ere long came to Narragansett No. 2, where, Oct. 1, 1750, he bought of Rev. Elisha Marsh lot No. 96, in the north part of the town, now owned by Isaac N. Smith. He at once set himself to work in making improvements, having cleared six acres, erected "a good cellar house," set out an orchard, and gotten things well under way before the first of the following July. The site of this first house on the premises may still be seen near the road, a few rods below the present large, commodious one in which Mr. Smith resides. Mr. Cowee was an industrious, skilful, prosperous farmer—a man of much independence and force of character—becoming one of the largest landholders of the town, and having one of the most valuable residences at the time of the levying of the general U. S. tax in 1798. While living at Chocksett he became acquainted with Mary, prob. dau. of John Pearson of Rowley, whom he m. March 3, 1757, and by whom he had a large family. He d. April 29, 1801, a. 74. His wife d. March 11, 1813, a. 83. Chn.:

2. JOHN², b. July 20, 1758; m. Mary Rand; settled Chittenden, Vt.
3. SARAH², b. Oct. 12, 1759; m. Zeeb Green; res. W., etc.
4. MEHITABLE², b. March 2, 1761; m. Nathan Wood; res. W.
5. DAVID², b. March 2, 1763; m. Milicent Jackson; res. W.
6. JAMES², b. Feb. 21, 1765; m. Susannah Baldwin; res. W. and Gr.; 15 chn.
7. MARY², b. Jan. 17, 1767; m. John Bigelow; no chn.; d. March 7, 1819.
8. REBECCA², b. Sept. 14, 1768; m. (1) Jonathan Eager; (2) John Bigelow.
9. NATHAN², b. June 19, 1770; unm.; d. April 21, 1813.
10. RHODA², b. April 30, 1772; m. William Sawin; 2 chn.; d. April 29, 1823.
11. JOEL², b. Feb. 15, 1774; d. infancy.
12. PEARSON², b. Oct. 9, 1775; m. Susannah Upton; res. W.; d. Aug. 29, 1850.

[5.] COWEE, DAVID², s. of the last, m. Milicent, dau. Edward and Jemima (Trowbridge) Jackson, Dec. 22, 1789. He spent most of his life on or near the N. Common, but ab. the year 1826 rem. to Troy, N. Y., where he d. two years afterward, a. 65. His w. d. before he left W., Oct. 28, 1825, a. 56. Chn.:

13. FARWELL³, b. 1790?; m. twice; res. W. and Troy, N. Y.; 7 chn.; d. March, 1837.
14. DAVID³, b. 1792; d. Sept. 9, 1814, a. 22.
15. ADOLPHUS³; no birth-date recorded; disappeared 1841.
16. ANN MARIA³, b. July 5, 1810; m. Nahum P. Dole; res. Troy; d. Sept. 10, 1879.



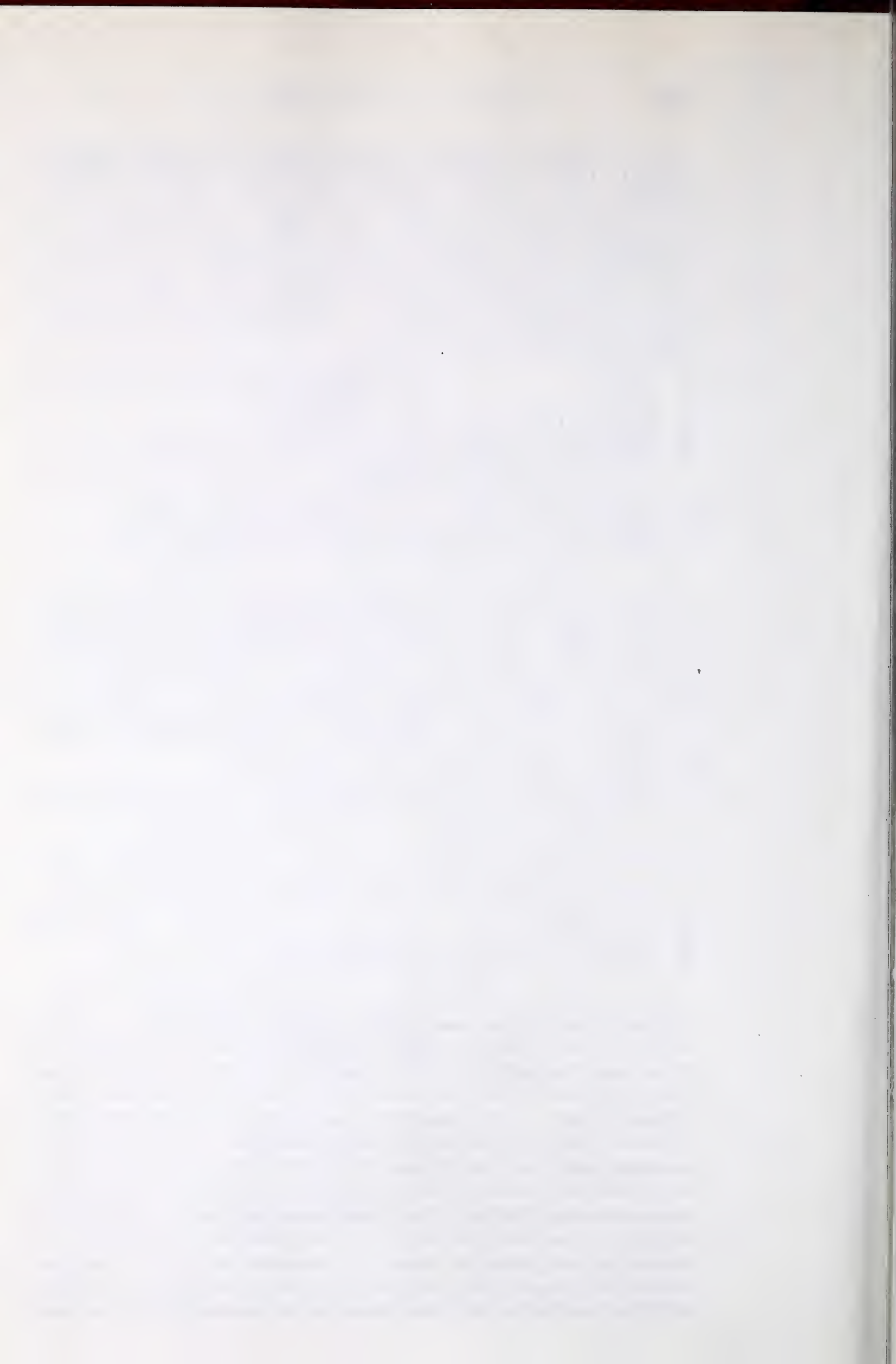
[6.] COWEE, JAMES², bro. of the last, m. at an early age (pub. Feb. 11, 1783) Susannah, dau. Josiah and Susannah (Green) Baldwin, Feb. 17, 1783, and after res. in town some 10 yrs. rem. to Gr., where his later years were spent. While here he is understood to have lived on the Eli Keyes place, B. P. Hill, the site of the building being easily recognized in what is called "the Cowee pasture." (See A. H. No. 12.) Dates of d. of James and Susannah not found. They had 15 chn., the first 6 being natives of W., as follows :

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| 17. PERSIS ³ . | 18. JOEL ³ ; m. Bridget Glazier; res. Gr.; 7 chn. |
| 19. REBECCA ³ . | 20. SUSANNA ³ . |
| 21. BETSEY ³ . | 22. MEHITABLE ³ . |
| 23. SALLY ³ , b. April 15, 1794. | 24. LUCINDA ³ , b. Dec. 14, 1795. |
| 25. PEARSON ³ , b. Oct. 6, 1797; m. Sarah T. Glazier. | |
| 26. GEORGE W. ³ , b. Sept. 30, 1799; m. (1) Leonora Greenwood and had 6 chn., and (2) Sarah Wilcox and had 5 more. | |
| 27. AARON ³ , b. Aug. 1, 1801; m. Susan Spalding and set. Emden, Me. | |
| 28. JAMES ³ , b. Dec. 28, 1802. | 29. WILLIAM ³ , b. Feb. 12, 1805. |
| 30. JOHN ³ , b. June 9, 1807. (The first maker of cane seat chairs in Gr.) | |
| 31. RUEL G. ³ ; who m. Lucy Ann Severy; res. Gr., and had 2 chn. | |

[12.] COWEE, PEARSON², youngest s. of James and Mary, m. Susannah, dau. Oliver and Susannah (Stiles) Upton, Gr. (pub. May 20, 1800), and set. on the paternal estate, one of the most attractive and productive farms in tn. A man of urbane manners and of much dignity of character. He was subject to attacks of mental aberration, whereby he came to his d. Aug. 29, 1850, a. 74. His w. Susannah d. at unknown date. Chn.:

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| 32. MARY C. ³ , b. March 20, 1801; d. unm. Aug. 27, 1852. |
| 33. PEARSON ³ , b. Aug. 3; 1802; d. Sept. 21, 1803. |
| 34. ADALINE ³ , b. June 5, 1804; m. Calvin Hayward; res. W., etc.; 2 chn.; d. April, 1880. |
| 35. LEANDER ³ , b. Dec. 12, 1806; a merchant in W.; d. Oct. 29, 1840. |
| 36. SUSAN ³ , b. May 27, 1809; m. T. Doty and M. Joslin; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 10, 1879. |
| 37. CAROLINE ³ , b. Feb. 23, 1812; m. Benj. Prentiss; res. Fg.; No chn.; living. |
| 38. LUCY A. ³ , b. June 13, 1814; m. Nelson Parmenter; res. W., Gr., Fg.; 3 chn.; d. 1890. [Feb. 8, 1858.] |
| 39. ORANGE G. ³ , b. March 1, 1817; m. Martha J. Hayward; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; d. |
| 40. SARAH M. ³ , b. Sept. 15, 1819; living unm. at Fg. |

[13.] COWEE, FARWELL³, s. of David and Milicent, m. 1817, Abigail, dau. Nathan and Abigail (Holden) Merriam. He was an active, enterprising, public spirited man, but unsuccessful as a business manager in W. He started in trade on the No. Common, going thence to the Center and forming a partnership with Timothy Doty. They built the so-called Doty store and run it for some years. Dissolving this connection, Mr. C. went into company with his bro.-in-law, Ebenezer Jones, under the style of "Cowee & Jones." They engaged largely in the business of transportation, running stages, and otherwise serving the public, with an appearance of wealth and prosperity which won the confidence of the people at large and secured for them abundant means for carrying their inflated purposes and plans into effect. All this resulted in the most unexpected and disastrous business



catastrophe the town ever experienced. Many of the citizens lost heavily, several of the more forehanded and honorable of them being so deeply involved as to be financially ruined. Mr. Cowee left the place for Troy, N. Y., where he engaged in hotel keeping and where he d. in March, 1837. His w. Abigail d. Sept. 15, 1830, and he m. (2) Eliza Dole in 1832. By the first he had 5 chn. and by the last 2, as follows :

41. DAVID⁴, b. W., June 16, 1818; m. Elizabeth Young; res. Troy; 5 chn.; d. Nov. 22, 1887. A prosperous merchant and much-esteemed citizen.
42. FARWELL M.⁴, b. W., Jan. 8, 1820; m. Sarah E. Godfrey; res. Berlin, N. Y.; 7 chn.; living.
43. MILICENT⁴, b. W., June 22, 1822; m. James Pierpont; res. Troy; 3 chn.; d. Aug. 25, 1856.
44. ABIGAIL⁴, b. W., April 24, 1824; d. April 6, 1830.
45. ANN ELIZA⁴, b. T., July 19, 1829; m. Daniel Judson; res. Lansingburgh, N. Y.; 4 chn.; living.
46. GEORGE R.⁴, b. T., 1833; d. Albany, 1862.
47. Mary⁴, b. T., 1835; m. Edgar T. Wait; res. Troy; 2 chn.; d. Nov. 27, 1887.

[39.] COWEE, ORANGE G.³, s. of Pearson and Susannah, m. Oct. 5, 1853, Martha J. Hayward of Surrey, N. H. He res. W. a few yrs. and rem. to Fg., dying Feb. 8, 1858, a. 40. Chn.:

48. MARY H.⁴, b. Feb. 17, 1855; d. July 27, 1856.
49. FLORENCE M.⁴, b. Dec. 14, 1856; m. Myron N. Benjamin; res. Fg.; 1 chd.
50. FRANKLIN⁴, b. June, 1858; d. when 6 mos. old.

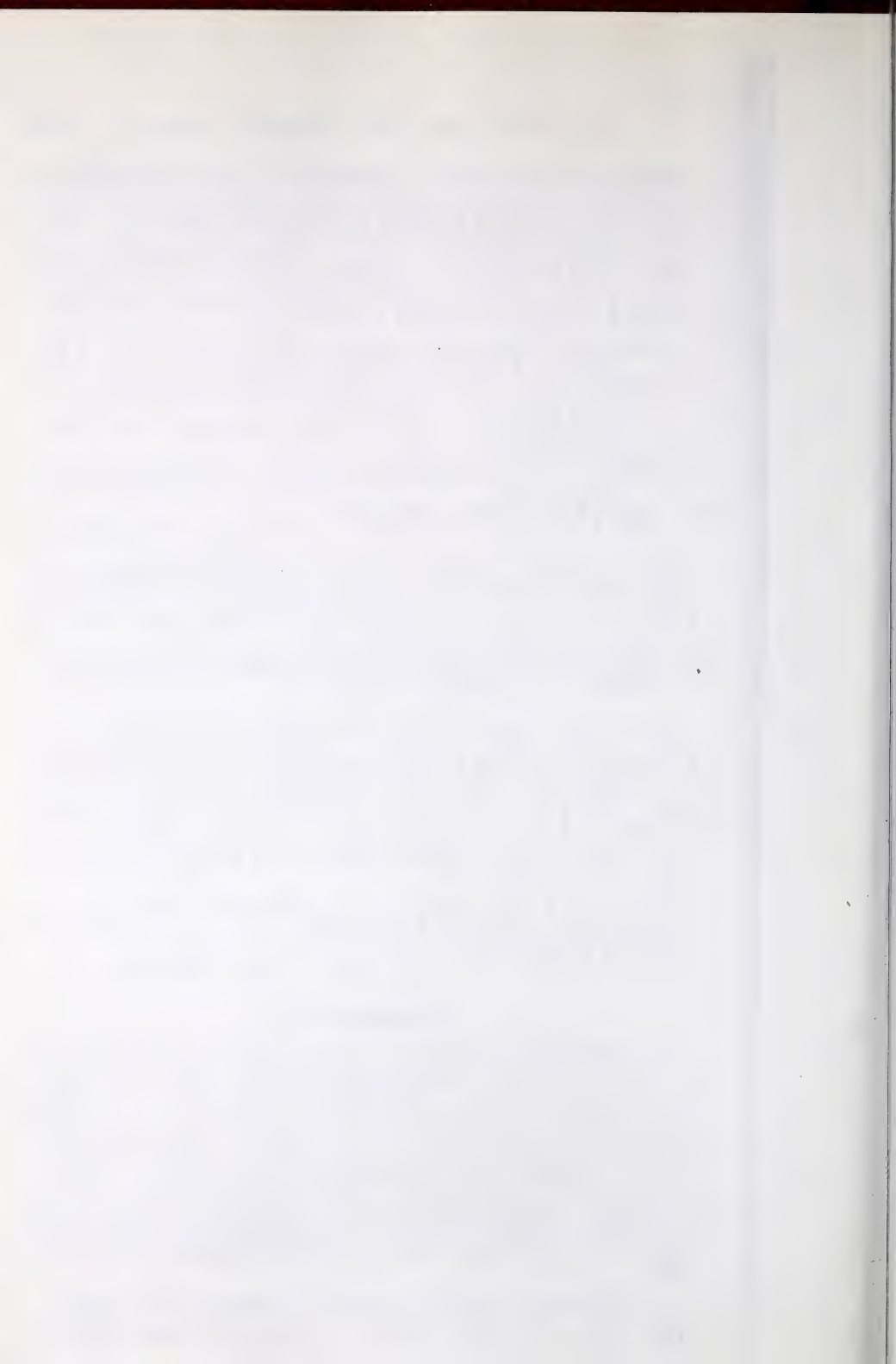
I. CRUSE, JOHN T. G., s. of Robson and Christiana, b. Falmouth, Eng., May 2, 1816, came to W. in early manhood and m. (1) Jane, dau. Wm. and Lydia (Hager) Wiswall, Aug. 17, 1839. Much of his life was spent here. His w. Jane d. June 24, 1862, and he m. (2) wid. Esther L. (Clark) Russell, Nov. 13, 1862. He d. at Ash., where he had res. a few years, April 28, 1892, a. 75. Chn.:

2. WILLIAM H., b. March 3, 1842; res. So. Ash.; in civil war. (See p. 406.)
3. GEORGE E., b. July 17, 1844; d. Feb. 22, 1859.
4. ROBSON, b. Dec. 4, 1845; res. So. Ash.
5. JOHN F., b. Sept. 6, 1850; d. Jan. 5, 1852; enld. in war. (See p. 406.)

CUMMINGS.

Isaac Cummings¹, or *Comings*, as the name was spelled in the olden time, is reported to have come from Scotland, but whether a native of that country or not does not appear. He settled at Ipswich as early as 1638, was made freeman there in 1642, and d. May, 1677. The name of his wife has not been found. His son Isaac², b. prob. beyond the sea, m. Mary Anderson and resided in Topsfield, where he died Jan., 1721-2. His son Thomas³, b. 1670, lived and died in Boxford, originally called Rowley Village. By his w., Mehitable Porter, he had Samuel⁴, b. 1706, who m. Sarah Hastings and went to Lunenburg, being the third resident in the township. Among the chn. of this pair was Thaddeus⁵, b. June 16, 1746, whose wife was Katharine Goodridge, also of Lunenburg. They lived near the Fitchburg line and had 7 chn.

I. CUMMINGS, JOSHUA⁶, one of the seven, was b. Aug. 5, 1792. He m. (1) Sally Nichols of Royalston, Aug., 1817, and



set. in that tn. His w. lived but a short time, and he m. (2) May 3, 1820, Hepzibah Hale of Leom. In the spring of 1837 he rem. to W. in order that his chn. might share better educational advantages than were available in their early home, purchasing and locating upon the former Sydney Smith place, on which J. Hervey Miller now res. He remained there till his death, which occurred Aug. 23, 1861. His wid. passed away 18 months afterwards, Feb. 21, 1863. Chn.:

2. CHARLES⁷, b. Royalston, Feb. 26, 1821; m. Elizabeth B. Reynolds; res. Brattleboro', Vt.; d. Sept. 30, 1864.
3. HENRY⁷, b. Royalston, Sept. 12, 1823; m. Mary A. Beaman; living.
4. ELLIOT⁷, b. Royalston, Oct. 16, 1825; d. Sept. 16, 1828.
5. SARAH⁷, b. Royalston, Sept. 16, 1827; m. Clinton Warner, M. D.; res. W.; l.
6. ISAAC⁷, b. Royalston, Aug. 2, 1832; d. unm. Dec. 16, 1868.
7. ISRAEL⁷, b. Royalston, Aug. 2, 1832; m. Angenette Chandler; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. Dec. 4, 1863.

This family of children, though not b. in W., was yet well-known by its inhabitants and for many years was identified with some of its more important interests. It is worthy of special note for its literary tastes, ambitions, and attainments. The chn., after leaving the district school, attended the Academy, where three of the sons fitted for those higher institutions of learning, to which they were afterward admitted, and whence they went out to the more active duties of their respective professions in life.

Charles Cummings⁷ (2) entered the Vt. Medical School at Woodstock, graduating in 1847. After practicing awhile as physician at Brattleboro', Vt., he became interested in journalism and finally gave himself wholly to that calling. From being a contributor to various papers and periodicals, he became at length editor-in-chief of the *Brattleboro' Eagle*, a position in which he displayed unusual ability, and from the duties of which he was released only by death. Upon the breaking out of the Rebellion, he entered the ranks of the Federal Army and remained in the service, so far as his health would allow, as long as he lived. (For a full notice of his honorable military career, see Chap. XX.) He m. June 27, 1857, Elizabeth, dau. of Brewster and Betsey Reynolds of Boston, by whom he had three chn. He d. near Petersburg, Va., Sept. 30, 1864.

Henry Cummings⁷ (3) was a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1847, and of Andover Theological Seminary, after a three years course of study, in 1850. He was ordained to the work of the Christian Ministry under the auspices of the Trinitarian Congregationalist denomination, and installed pastor of the church of that order at Newport, N. H., July 16, 1851. He has served in his profession successively at Newport, Rutland, Mass., and Stafford, Vt., where he now resides. He m. Sept. 9, 1851, Mary A. Beaman of Princeton, by whom he has had five chn. Some of these have served with great efficiency in foreign mission fields. The entire family is still living (1892).

Sarah Cummings⁷ (5), the only dau. of her parents, after acquiring her education, m. Clinton Warner, M. D., of W., and has ever resided in town. Of her five chn., three d. in infancy, while the other two were spared, becoming graduates of Mt. Holyoke Seminary and teachers in the higher grade of schools; of excellent repute. Since the death of her husband, in 1870, Mrs. Warner has devoted herself to the care and education of her surviving chn., to charitable and other activities connected with the First Cong. Church, and to the interests of the Public Library, of which she has been one of the trustees and the librarian since it was adopted as a town institution. In these several capacities, as in other less conspicuous ones, she has rendered valuable service, for which she is held in high esteem by the entire community, as she is also for her personal worth and Christian character.

Isaac Cummings⁷ (6), after leaving W., entered the Medical Department of Dartmouth College at Hanover N. H., and grad. in 1857. He located in the city of N. Y., where, after a successful practice of his profession for ten years, he d. Dec. 16, 1868. He was never married.

CURTIS.

This family descended from William Curtis¹, who arrived at Boston in the ship *Lyon* Sept. 16, 1632, and settled at Stony River, now in the Roxbury



district, Boston, where his son Isaac² was b. in 1642. Isaac² had Samuel³, the father of Philip⁴, who was educated for the Christian ministry and settled in Massapoag, now Sharon, in 1743. He was the first minister of the township, and continued in the office there more than half a century, or until 1797. His wife was Eliza Bass.

I. CURTIS, FRANCIS⁵, s. of the couple just named, was b. in Sharon, Sept. 26, 1769. Under the direction of his f. he prepared for college and entered Harvard with the view of qualifying himself for a literary or professional career. But a serious accident prevented him from carrying his plans into effect. During one of his vacations, while assisting in making some improvements on his f.'s farm, the premature discharge of a rock permanently injured his eyes, obliging him to turn his attention to some other calling in life. After due deliberation he chose that of farming as best suited to his taste and the changed circumstances in which he was situated. Looking about for a place in which to locate, he came to W. in 1799 (his son Alonzo says), though he seems not to have been taxed till 1807. In 1806 he purchased lot No. 48, 2d Div., of Stephen Bemis, whose f., Zaccheus Bemis, first redeemed it from the primeval wilderness. He m. (1) Mary Billings of Sharon, who d. in a few yrs. leaving no issue. His second w. was Mary Gilbert of Walpole, whom he m. in 1799. He d. Oct. 3, 1828, a. 59; she d. April 12, 1869, a. 92. Chn.:

2. FRANCIS⁶, b. Sept. 22, 1800; d. 1842.
3. MARY⁶, b. May 10, 1802; m. Daniel Miles; res. W.
4. LYDIA⁶, b. April 3, 1805; m. Alonzo Mason; res. So. Venice, N. Y.; 8 chn.; 1.
5. Infant⁶, b. 1807; d. 1808.
6. NELSON⁶, b. Dec. 17, 1809; m. Mary S. Hyde; res. Boston; no chn.; d. Sept. 16, 1882.
7. EZRA⁶, b. March 17, 1812; m. Milesa Hastings; res. Leom.; 9 chn.; d. 1863.
8. JOHN⁶, b. Aug. 13, 1814; m. Jane Close; res. Auburn, N. Y.; 2 chn.; d. Sept. 2, 1885.
9. GEORGE⁶, b. Sept. 3, 1817; m. Martha Upton; res. Boston; no chn.; living.
10. Unnamed⁶; d. Oct., 1820.
11. ALONZO⁶, b. Aug. 27, 1822; m. Mary B. Lothrop; res. W.

Of the above chn., Nelson res. in Roxbury and Boston, where he operated largely as contractor and builder. He acquired great wealth, was Director for many years in the People's Bank, and also served repeatedly as Alderman of the city of Roxbury before its annexation to Boston. His bro. George also located in Roxbury, and was engaged in the same business, which he carried on very successfully in connection with an extensive lumber trade. He was Alderman of the city of Roxbury four years, and of Boston afterwards three years, and also served three terms in the lower house of the Legislature of Mass.

[II.] CURTIS, ALONZO⁶, the youngest s. of Francis and Lydia (Gilbert) Curtis, and the only one who remained permanently in W., m. Mary B. Lothrop of Sharon, Jan. 2, 1850, succeeding to the est. of his f., which he still occupies. Chn.:

12. FREDERICK⁷, b. Jan. 2, 1851; d. Sept. 9, 1852.
13. WALFRED FLETCHER⁷, b. Aug. 12, 1853; d. Nov. 9, 1878. He was a grad. of Mass. Agric. Coll., and served on the Sch. Committee of W.
14. FRANK ABBOT T.⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1857; m. and res. W.
15. L. EUGENE⁷, b. Dec. 1, 1860; d. Oct. 9, 1866.

[14.] CURTIS, FRANK A. T.⁷, s. of the last, m. June 7, 1883, Jennie E., dau. of Henry and Jane Lucas, and set. near his f., with whom he is associated in farming. Their chn. are:

16. MARY FLORENCE⁸, b. April 12, 1884. 17. WALFRED A.⁸, b. Sept. 9, 1885.
18. HERMAN N.⁸, b. Nov. 4, 1888. 19. HENRY L.⁸, b. June 24, 1891.

20. CURTIS, WILLIAM, ptge. and lineage unascertained, but prob. a distant relative of the preceding, bought the easterly part of lot No. 110 (the Garfield estate), of John Bigelow, Dec. 28, 1807, upon which he erected a ho. and res. ab. 17 yrs. The site of the building was in the present open field some 30 rds. S. E. of the dwelling of Patrick Bresnahan. Mr. Curtis sold his place to Daniel Miles, removing hence to Stoughton. Nothing is kn. of his subsequent history; nor of his w. and chn., if he had them.

21. CURTIS, THEOPHILUS, was tythingman in 1806 and paid taxes for a few yrs. ab. that date. Nothing further ascertained.

22. CURTIS, CHANDLER, whose lineage has not been traced, was b. in Wallingford, Conn., May 7, 1795. He was educated for the Baptist ministry and spent many yrs. of professional life in the far West. He came to W. in 1843 and set. as pastor of the church and society of his own distinctive faith, a position which he held for 2 yrs. He made this place his home ever afterward, although he spent considerable time elsewhere, either in supplying vacant pulpits or in lecturing upon the subject of "Roman Catholicism," with a view of refuting its errors and of preventing its extension and influence in the country. He was a man of much ability and acquired scholarship in his chosen field of inquiry, and an author of some standing in the theological world. He had a strong personality, was somewhat dogmatic in spirit, and possessed many eccentricities which no doubt detracted from his popularity and usefulness, both as a man and as an ambassador of Christ. He m. July 24, 1836, in the Indian Territory, where he then res., Mary A., dau. of Jonas and Hannah (Gamwall) Colburn of Leom. He d. July 27, 1881, a. 86; she d. Aug. 3, 1879, a. 71. They had 3 chn.:

23. AMANDA, b. Omaha, Neb., Jan. 8, 1838; m. J. Avery White; res. Fram.

24. SAMUEL, b. Bellevue, Neb., May 22, 1839; d. Feb. 16, 1840.

25. ANN, b. Griggsville, Ill., Oct. 19, 1841; m. John P. Roper; res. W.; 3 chn.

CUTLER.

The immigrant head of this family was James Cutler¹, b. in Eng. ab. 1606., who m. Anna —, prob. before leaving his native land. He was an original proprietor of Watertown and had a residence there in 1635. Some twelve years afterward he purchased lands in Cambridge Farms (Lexington), and took up his abode there. His son James² m. Lydia Wright and had Thomas³, whose wife was Sarah Stone. They were the parents of David⁴, the father of Thomas⁵, whose son Thomas⁶, m. Abigail Reed. These several generations resided in Lexington.

1. CUTLER, JONAS⁷, s. of the last named Thomas⁶ and Abigail (Reed) Cutler, was b. March 3, 1782, and m. Martha, dau. of Amos Marritt, a gd.-nephew of David Dunster, elsewhere spoken of. He came to W. ab. 1812, purchasing, Jan. 13 of that year, of Levi Holden, lot No. 40, on which his s. of the same name recently res. Later on he was for some time joint owner of the so-called Raymond sawmill. He d. Jan. 29, 1830, a. 47: his wid., Martha, d. Nov. 20, 1852, a. 67. Chn.:

2. JONAS⁸; m. Martha Hager; res. W.; no chn.; d. 1892.

3. AMOS MARRITT⁸, b. 1816; m. Mary Barnes; res. W.; 2 chn.

4. MARTHA⁸, b. 181-; m. Sanford Sawyer; res. W.

[3.] CUTLER, AMOS MARRITT⁸, s. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Sullivan and Lydia (Hoar) Barnes, 1840 (pub. Aug. 21). He located in the central village of W., where he established a livery business which he has continued to this day. Chn.:

5. ABBIE M.⁹; m. Marcus M. Miller; res. W.; chn.

6. MARY A.⁹; m. George S. Brooks; res. W.; chn.

7. CUTLER, CHARLES⁷, s. of Isaac G. and Nancy, and a descendant of the immigrant James¹, named above, by the following line:—Thomas², James³, Rev. Robert⁴, Dr. Robert⁵, Dr. Isaac G.⁶,—was b. at Amherst ab. 1827. Coming to W. he m. April 4, 1852, Harriet Ann, dau. of Charles and Lydia M. (Spalding) Coolidge, and res. in tn. some yrs., where a son was b. and whence he rem. to Brattleboro', Vt., and thence subsequently to Grand Haven, Mich. He d. Sept. 16, 1881, in consequence of injuries received by the explosion of illuminating gas. His wid. still res. at Grand Haven, as does also his only chd., whose name is:

8. CHARLES LYON⁸, b. W., May 19, 1862; unm. at last advices.

CUTTER.

Two distinct families of this name have resided in W., the descent of only one of which has been determined. It is to be presumed that the other came of the same ancestral stock, though the connection has not been traced and no mention whatever is made of it in the large volume purporting to give a full account of those bearing this patronym in America. It is a matter of record that Elizabeth Cutter¹, with two, and perhaps more, chn., came to N. E. ab. the year 1640, and resided with her dau. Barbara², who m. Elijah Corlet, a distinguished school-master of Cambridge at that early date. Her son Richard² m. Frances Amsden and lived also in C. They had Nathaniel³, the father of a second Nathaniel⁴, one of whose sons, also named Nathaniel⁵, m. Submit Whitcomb and settled in Sudbury. The following extract from the Court records of the Co. of Middlesex which relates to this couple may be of interest as an illustration of one of the common customs of those early times:

"Middlesex Ss. Anno Regni Regis Georgii Secundi Magna Britannia, Franciæ et Hibernia Vicessimo Septimo: At a Court of General Sessions of the Peace, begun and held at Charlestown within and for the Co. of Middlesex on the second Tuesday of Dec. being the 11th day of said month Annoque Domine 1753. The Selectmen of Sudbury are allowed to enter their caution against Nath¹. Cutter and Submit Cutter his wife; his last

proper place of residence was in Charlestown and hers in Southborough, who come into the town of Sudbury within the space or term of a year past. They having been warned to depart as by warrant and return thereon on file. A copy of record. Attest: ABRAM. BIGELOW, Clerk."

1. CUTTER, JOSIAH⁶, s. of the before-named Nathaniel⁵ and Submit (Whitcomb) Cutter, was b. Sudbury, May 7, 1763. Ab. the year '1789 he came to W. and m. Sarah, dau. of Norman and Sarah (Reed) Sever, on the 27th of March. His exact place of residence has not been learned. There is no proof that he owned any real est. After the birth of 3 chn. he left his fam. and wandered about the country for many yrs., having no local habitation. Subsequently to his disappearance his w. had a fourth chd. who took the family name as appears in the register herewith given. Joaiah Cutter d. Watertown, May, 1833, a. 70. Chn.:

2. NATHANIEL⁸, b. June 5, 1789; m. Abigail Taylor and had 4 chn.

3. SALLY⁸, b. Aug. 9, 1792; m. Peter Parmenter; res. Marlboro'.

4. PEGGY⁸, b. June 8, 1798; m. Merrick Divol; res. W.; 2 chn.

5. JOSEPH⁸, b. Sept. 9, 1810; m. twice; res. Ash.; 1 chd.

[2.] CUTTER, NATHANIEL⁷, s. of the preceding, m. Abigail, dau. of Samuel and Prudence (Winship) Taylor, March 23, 1813. He seems to have l. for a time on the place originally improved and occupied by his w.'s f., but moved thence to Ash. and from there to Fg. He d. Worc., Sept. 27, 1880, a. 91; his w. d. Fg., Aug. 22, 1861. Chn.:

6. NATHANIEL FLINT, b. W., Sept. 26, 1815; m. twice; res. Ash. and Worc.; 1 chd.

7. ABIGAIL P., b. Ash., Sept. 18, 1817; m. Joseph Smith; res. Ash.

8. SARAH A., b. Ash., July 18, 1820; m. Charles Leland; res. Milford; 4 chn.

9. LOUISA MARSYLIVIA, b. Ash., April, 1824; m. Warren Ellis; res. Milford; 3 chn.

10. CUTTER, MARCUS, familiarly called Mark Cutter, descent, as stated, unkn. He m. Abigail G. Wheeler of Sudbury, from which fact it may be assumed that he was nearly related to Josiah (1). He came to W. ab. 1814, and located in the extreme north corner of the tn., on a part of lot No. 112, 2d Div., and adjacent lands, his est. bordering on both Ash. and Fg. lines. No doubt he erected the farm buildings formerly standing thereon, the site of which is still easily recognized. (See A. H. No. 1.) He d. July 9, 1847, a. 63, leaving a will which distributed his property between his wid. and 2 sons. The place and date of his wid.'s death has not been fd., though her last days were prob. spent in Fg. Chn.:

11. ABBIE, b. 1812; d. Aug. 8, 1829, a. 17.

12. JAMES M., b. 1816; m. Sophronia S. Burrage; res. Fg.; d. W.

13. MARY G., b. 1818; d. Aug. 26, 1829, a. 11.

14. ABIGAIL W., b. 1822; d. Aug. 25, 1829, a. 7.

15. CALEB W., b. June 3, 1826; m. Abbie B. Hadley; res. W.

[15.] CUTTER, CALEB WHEELER, the last named, m. Abby B., dau. of Cummings and Sally B. Hadley, lived in W., where he had 2 chn. and perhaps more. He d. Nov. 13, 1864, a. 38.

16. ABBIE J., b. Aug. 17, 1857; d. May 20, 1868, a. 10.

17. Unknown; d. April 28, 1865, a. 1.

CUTTING.

Richard Cutting¹, a lad eleven years of age, came to this country from Ipswich, Eng., with an older brother, William, in the ship *Elizabeth*, in the year 1634. He settled at Watertown, where he carried on the trade of a wheelwright as an occupation and means of subsistence. He d. March 21, 1695-6, leaving several children, among whom was John², a soldier in the war with King Philip, and as such entitled to a right, with other Watertown men who had been engaged in the same service, in the township designated as Narragansett No. 2. But having died before that township was established, by grant of the Genl. Ct. his claim was represented by his son John³, known as Lieut. John, who, in the first division of lots, drew No. 45, and therewith all the subsequent divisions of upland and meadow belonging to it. Lieut. John Cutting³ had but one child, a dau., who m. John Clark, and became the mother of a long line of worthy descendants. He had, however, a brother George³, whose son Josiah was a favorite of his, as appears from the phraseology of certain title-deeds conveying lands to him, and from repeated acts indicative of kindly interest and special regard.

Whether or not the Josiah Cutting who settled upon lot No. 45, and who became the ancestor of all the W. Cuttings, was the "beloved son" of George³, as Lieut. John calls his nephew, has been a matter of much doubt. Bond, the eminent genealogist, in his "History of the Watertown Families" states that Josiah Cutting, son of George, m. Persis —, and settled in the town of Shrewsbury. That there was a Josiah in that place, a contemporary of Josiah of Narragansett, is undoubtedly true. But the writer of this sketch is persuaded that Bond is in error respecting the ancestry of the Shrewsbury settler, ascribing to him a parentage belonging to his namesake of the neighboring township, and giving him a place in the family line to which he has no rightful claim. The reason for the conclusion thus indicated seems to him convincing and satisfactory. It is a matter of record that Lieut. John Cutting³, one of the grantees of Narragansett No. 2, sold all the after drafts of Lot No. 45 to Josiah Cutting⁴, the "beloved son" of his brother George³. It is also of record that after the death of Josiah of Narragansett (then Westminster), in 1775, his heirs conveyed certain portions of those same after drafts (3d and 4th Div. lots), to Nathan Cutting and John Fessenden respectively. It is altogether probable that the Josiah Cutting who received the lands in question in 1750, and the Josiah Cutting whose heirs disposed of those same lands in 1775, were one and the same person. Moreover, in an old deed, dated 1770, Josiah Cutting of W. refers to "our late g.d.f., Capt. John Cutting of Waltham." On the strength of such evidence it is the writer's judgment that the descent of the Westminster Cuttings, from Richard¹ of Watertown, was as follows:—John², George³, Josiah⁴, etc.

1. CUTTING, JOSIAH⁴, s. of George³ and Mary (Brown) Cutting, was b. April 21, 1727. He m. Lydia, dau. of Thomas and Tabitha (Stone) Merriam of Lexington, the sister of Nathan, Thomas, and Samuel Merriam who set in the south part of the tn. He was in the place as early as 1751, when he had cleared 4 acres and was building a ho. His lot, No. 45, was the north-westerly portion of the present farm of George W. Whitney, and the site of his dwelling was a little way over the summit of the hill in the direction named from Mr. Whitney's residence. He was a well-to-do citizen, worthy of the respect and honor which were cheerfully accorded him. He held the office of Selectman in 1772, and filled other places of public trust. He d. April 18, 1775, a. 48; his w. d. ab. a yr. bef., April 21, 1774, a. 46. Their chn. were:

2. LYDIA⁵, b. Aug. 19, 1755; m. Samuel Miller; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. Dec. 18, 1793.
3. MARY⁵, b. May 15, 1757; m. Peletiah Everett; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. April 28, 1800.
4. EUNICE⁵, b. Dec. 1, 1758; prob. d. young.
5. JOHN⁵, b. Feb. 22, 1761; d. Aug. 17, 1778?
6. JOSIAH⁵, b. Nov. 11, 1762; taxed 1784, but soon disappeared.
7. NATHAN⁵, b. May 7, 1765; res. Pn. and Hub.; d. April 3, 1803.
8. ASA⁵, b. Oct. 16, 1767; in town till 1802.
9. ABRAHAM⁵, b. June 13, 1770; m. Phebe Howard; res. Pn.; 9 chn.; d. Nov. 14, 1811.

[9.] CUTTING, ABRAHAM⁵, s. of Josiah and Lydia (Merriam) Cutting, m. Phebe, dau. of Nathan and Phebe (Lynde) Howard, May 8, 1794, and set. in Pn. near the line of W., where he spent in agricultural pursuits the brief yrs. of his uneventful life, dying Nov. 14, 1811, in the 42d yr. of his a. His w. survived him less than 2 yrs., her death, caused by a cancer, occurring Sept. 13, 1813, a. 42. Inasmuch as their chn. were well kn. in W., the rec. of them is given here:

10. ABRAHAM⁶, b. May 2, 1795; m. (1) Emily Rawson, (2) —; res. Worc.; 1 chd.
11. PHEBE⁶, b. May 1, 1797; m. Abijah Jones, Temp.; 5 chn.; d. April 1, 1872.
12. JONAS⁶, b. June 8, 1799; m. Elvira Jackson; res. W.
13. FLAVEL⁶, b. June 14, 1801; m. Lydia Mirick; res. W.; no chn.; physician.
14. ASA⁶, b. July 17, 1803; m. Lydia Miller; res. W.
15. N. HOWARD⁶, b. May 29, 1805; m. Mary R. Whitney; res. W. and Worc.
16. LEONARD⁶, b. Feb. 22, 1807; d. Feb. 17, 1808.
17. MARIANNE⁶, b. April 25, 1809; m. Chas. Harrington; res. Pn.; d. Jan. 2, 1833.
18. LYDIA LYNDE⁶, b. Sept. 28, 1811; d. unm. Jan. 13, 1833.

[12.] CUTTING, JONAS⁶, s. of the last, m. Elvira, dau. of Oliver and Mary (Pierce) Jackson (pub. Nov. 3, 1822). He located on the corner of Main and Bacon Sts. in the central village, and there remained through life. He was a cabinet-maker of excellent repute, church pulpits being a specialty with him. (See p. 308.) Both himself and his w. were members in good standing of the Cong. Church, as all the Cuttings were. He d. March 4, 1866, a. 66; his wid., Elvira, d. Jan. 1, 1884, a. 81. They had a large fam.:

19. JONAS A.⁷, b. July 26, 1824; d. Feb. 26, 1826.
20. MARY A.⁷, b. April 17, 1826; d. March 3, 1828.
21. JONAS A.⁷, b. June 8, 1828; m. Ellen Maynard and Ellen Booth; res. Fg.; 4 chn.
22. MARY A.⁷, b. June 7, 1830; res. W.; unm.
23. JOHN F.⁷, b. Feb. 19, 1832; d. Sept. 25, 1832.
24. JOHN T.⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1833; res. Shawano, Wis.; unm.
25. HENRY J.⁷, b. Nov. 19, 1835; m. Mary Maynard; res. W.; 2 chn. (See p. 415.)
26. ELVIRA M.⁷, b. Oct. 29, 1838; res. Shawano, Wis.; unm.
27. ISAAC J.⁷, b. Oct. 2, 1841; m. Eugenie Wood; d. Oct. 31, 1865.
28. LYDIA A.⁷, b. Nov. 30, 1844; m. Geo. W. Gibbs; res. Shawano; 3 chn.

[14.] CUTTING, ASA⁶, bro. of the last, m. Lydia, dau. of Ezra and Lucy (Whitcomb) Miller, Oct. 3, 1825, and set. in W., where all his mature life was spent. He was a chairmaker, and a devoted supporter of the First Church; an anti-slavery man and friend of the temperance cause. He d. April 5, 1883, a. 79. His wid. is still l. with her s., their only chd.:

29. LEONARD M.⁷, b. W., Feb. 19, 1827; m. Susan Henderson; res. Jerseyville, Ill.; 2 chn.; living.

[15.] CUTTING, NATHAN HOWARD⁶, bro. of the last, m. Feb. 11, 1830, Mary Reed, dau. of Nathan and Eunice (Puffer) Whitney; res. in the village till late in life, when he rem. to Worc., where he d. July 16, 1884, a. 79. His w. d. May 25, 1882, a. 76. While in W. he was associated with his bro. Jonas in the trade of cabinetmaking; in Worc. he succeeded his older bro., Abraham, in the manufacture of trusses. An excellent workman and a worthy member of society, active in chh. affairs and interested in questions of religion, philanthropy, and reform, having an earnest sympathizer in his w., who was a most exemplary Christian woman. Loving in life, and in death not long divided. Chn.:

30. FRANKLIN HOWARD⁷, b. Oct. 30, 1832; d. Nov. 6, 1835.
31. ANN MARIA⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1836; m. Jos. O. Adams; res. Worc.; no chn.; living.
32. SUSAN LOUISA⁷, b. Aug. 29, 1838; m. Edward Whitney; res. Worc.; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 1, 1880.
33. CHARLES HOWARD⁷, b. Sept. 1, 1841; d. Newburn, N. C., June 24, 1863. (See Page 415.)
34. WILLIAM JONES⁷, b. Nov. 12, 1845.
35. FRANK WHITNEY⁷, b. Dec. 10, 1851; res. Worc.; unm.; clerk, Mechanics' Savings Bank.

DAMON.

The Damons of New England, with few, if any, exceptions, descended from three immigrant ancestors, who came hither at an early period of colonial history. John Damon was located at Scituate in 1628, a second John was in Reading a few years afterward, and Thomas in Sudbury at a later date. Whether or not they were in any way related, is as yet undetermined. It was from John of Reading that the W. branch sprang, and of him only, of the three, is further mention made in these pages.

Much doubt at present exists in regard to the English origin of this line of the family. The History of Reading states that John Damon of that town is reported to have come from Reading in the mother country, where an old parish registry records his birth as occurring June 25, 1620. But Mr. D. C. Eaton of New Haven, a descendant of a sister of his, who has given the matter much consideration, deems that view untenable on the ground that an error has been made in deciphering the partially illegible record referred to. He has had an exact copy of that record made within a few years, and is fully persuaded thereby that it relates to the advent into the world, not of John *Damon*, but of John *Cannon*, thus invalidating the hypothesis named above,—a hypothesis assumed to be correct in the "Damon Memorial," and in other publications pertaining to the subject.

Moreover, it is probable that the name rarely, if ever, appeared in the old world in the same form in which it is generally found here. Various modes of spelling have characterized it there, such as Dammand, Damind, Damins, Damant, Damat, etc., as was the case in some of the early records here.

The first appearance of the immigrant ancestors of the Damons of W. in this country was in 1635, when, as the record states, "Abigail¹, aged 35, formerly wife and widow of one Dammand and now the wife of John Eaton," came over to N. E. in the ship *Elizabeth and Ann* "with her children, Jane Dammand aged 9, Marie Eaton aged 4, and Thomas Eaton 1." "Her husband, John Eaton, and her son, John Dammand², came aboard after the vessel left port or preceded them in another vessel." They settled first in Dedham, but John², upon reaching his majority, established himself in that part of Lynn, afterwards set off to form Reading, of which township, incorporated 1644, he was one of the first proprietors. He was an active, prominent man in the community, holding the office of Selectman for several years,

and becoming a Dea. in the church, which gave him a title by which he was subsequently known. He m. Abigail, dau. of Richard and Elizabeth Sherman of Boston, and had a s. Samuel³, b. July 23, 1756, who was a soldier in the Narragansett War and whose heirs, thereby, had an original right in this place and drew, at the time of the first division of lands, lot No. 2. By his wife, Mary, he had with other chn. John⁴ and Ebenezer⁴, the latter representing the family in the transaction just alluded to. The former m. Rebecca, dau. of John and Sarah (Batchelder) Pratt, who bore him John⁶ and Timothy⁶, twins, in 1738 or 1739, the latter of whom was the W. settler, as indicated below.

1. DAMON, TIMOTHY⁵, s. of John⁴ and Rebecca, came to this tn. soon after it was incorporated, prob. in 1761, inasmuch as on the 18th of Jan. of that year his bro., John, quitclaimed to him all right and title derived from their f. to lot No. 15, where his gd.s., Thomas Damon, now res. His w. was Abigail —, whom he m. ab. the time of his removal hither. She d. April 23, 1800, and he m. (2) Sarah Poole of Fg. (pub. March 7th), 1801. No rec. of his death has come to hand. Their chn. were:

2. TIMOTHY⁶, b. Oct. 27, 1762; m. Phebe Miller; res. W.; d. Jan. 17, 1820.
3. REBECCA⁶, b. Dec. 21, 1763; m. Zaccheus Nichols, Reading, Sept. 5, 1793.
4. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Aug. 15, 1766; d. Sept. 5, 1777, a. 11.
5. JOHN⁶, b. June 15, 1768; m. Lucy Sawin; res. W.; d. Dec. 12, 1848.
6. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Oct. 12, 1771; d. unm. July 11, 1811, a. 39.
7. WILLIAM⁶, b. Dec. 19, 1773; burned to death, 1781.
8. MOLLY⁶, b. March 20, 1776; d. Dec. 3, 1777.
9. THOMAS⁶, b. Sept. 20, 1778; nothing more known of him.
10. POLLY⁶, b. Oct. 10, 1782; m. Joel Baker; res. W.

[2.] DAMON, TIMOTHY⁶, eldest s. of the last, m. Phebe, dau. of Dea. Joseph and Martha (Williams) Miller, 1789 (pub. Jan. 14), and set. on his f.'s est., which was divided between him and his bro. John. He d. Jan. 17, 1820, a. 57; his wid. d. April 26, 1826, a. 60. Chn.:

11. PHEBE⁷, b. Nov. 15, 1790; m. Sylvester Manning; res. Thomaston, Me.
12. NANCY⁷, b. Dec. 17, 1792; m. Chas. Hoar; res. No. Braintree.
13. SARAH⁷, b. Oct. 16, 1794; m. Horatio Eager; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Feb. 4, 1834.
14. REBECCA⁷, b. Feb. 20, 1797; m. Wm. Gregory; res. Camden, Me.
15. JOSEPH⁷, b. April 2, 1799; d. Sept. 8, 1800.
16. MARY⁷, b. July 7, 1801; m. George Evans; res. Winch.; insane; d. July 16, 1886.
17. THOMAS⁷, b. July 24, 1803; m. five times; res. W.
18. LUCINDA⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1809; m. Jonas Whitney; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. April 10, 1868.

[5.] DAMON, JOHN⁶, bro. of the last and sharer with him of their f.'s homestead, m. April 19, 1791, Lucy, dau. of Samuel and Martha (Miller) Sawin. Late in life he sold his farm to his oldest bro. and spent his last days with his s. John in Fitzwilliam, N. H. He d. Dec. 12, 1848, a. 80; his wid., Lucy, d. Sept. 22, 1851, a. 72. Chn.:

19. Unnamed⁷, b. May 30, 1792; d. infancy.
20. LUCY⁷, b. April 26, 1793; d. Sept. 23, 1800, a. 7.
21. WILLIAM⁷, b. Aug. 8, 1795; d. Jan. 20, 1800, a. 5.
22. IRENE⁷, b. June 30, 1797; d. Jan. 13, 1800, a. 2 yrs., 6 months.
23. WILLIAM⁷, b. Oct. 15, 1800; m. Lucy Wetherbee and Adaline Calkins; res. Fg.; 9 chn.; dec'd.
24. JOHN⁷, b. Nov. 22, 1802; m. (1) Ruth Sawin and (2) Selina Parker; res. Fitzwilliam, N. H.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 29, 1852.

25. BENJAMIN F.⁷, b. July 21, 1805; unm.; d. 1841.
26. GEORGE W.⁷, b. May 20, 1807; m. Clarissa Gibbs; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; dec'd.
27. LUCY⁷, b. Feb. 9, 1810; unm.; d. Fitzwilliam, N. H., April 22, 1856. a. 46.
28. IRENE⁷, b. May 19, 1812; d. young.
29. CHARLES⁷, b. Oct. 9, 1814; m. (1) Cynthia Lawrence, (2) Chloe Taft; 2 chn.; d. July 25, 1860.

[17.] DAMON, THOMAS⁷, s. of Timothy and Phebe (Miller) Damon, succeeded to the est. of his f. and is still l. on the original Damon homestead in the enjoyment of a fair degree of health and strength at the advanced a. of 89 yrs. He is a man of character and good standing in the community, and one of the oldest and most devoted members of the First Cong. Chh. He m. (1) Laura, dau. of Zeeb and Sarah (Cowie) Green, sometime a resident of W., Jan. 5, 1826, who d. Nov. 5, 1831, a. 31; (2) Martha, dau. of Thaddeus and Rebecca Bond, June 5, 1835, who d. Aug. 13, 1869, a. 60; (3) Sarah A. Hardy of Worc., a native of Hollis, N. H., April 17, 1872, who d. April 4, 1879, a. 63; (4) wid. Louisa Dalrymple, dau. of John and Mary (Mosman) Miles of Gr., Nov. 25, 1879, who d. April 29, 1885, a. 74; (5) Jane Elvira, dau. of Israel P. and Nancy (Hoar) Shedd of Oakham. She is a most devoted and praiseworthy worker in the local branch of the W. C. T. U. Mr. Damon has had 4 chn., two by each of his first two wives:

30. HORACE G.⁸, b. March 28, 1827; m. Emily A. Newton; res. W., etc.
31. NELSON⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1829; d. July 1, 1850.
32. LAURA G.⁸, b. Aug. 24, 1836; m. Edwin L. Burnham; res. W.; 4 chn.
33. CHARLES T.⁸, b. June 8, 1841; twice m.; res. W. and Fram.; 7 chn.

[30.] DAMON, HORACE G.⁸, m. Emily A. Newton of Temp. ab. 1850, and res. in tn. for a few yrs., but rem. to Rochester, Minn., and thence to Carthage, Mo., where he remained some 25 yrs. He is at present l. in Sentinel, A. T. He had 2 chn. b. W. and 3 in Minn., the latter of whom d. in infancy. Those native to this tn. were:

34. NELSON L.⁹, b. Sept. 15, 1852; m. and has 1 son; res. Carthage, Mo.
35. DAVID T.⁹, b. Feb. 28, 1854; m. and res. at Sentinel, Arizona.

[33.] DAMON, CHARLES T.⁸, s. of Thomas and Martha (Bond) Damon. Like his several ancestors in tn., he followed the plough for many yrs., but subsequently engaged in the baking business, sometimes as sole proprietor and sometimes as co-partner with his bro.-in-law, E. L. Burnham. A few yrs. since he rem. to Fram., where he has been a dealer in flour and grain. He m. (1) Abbie E., dau. of Aaron and Abigail (Boutelle) Wood, Feb. 4, 1863. She d. Jan. 15, 1868, a. 26, and he m. (2) Oct. 18, 1871, Emma E., dau. of Merrill and Sarah E. (Gibbs) Wheeler of Rutland. Chn.:

36. EDWARD C.⁹, b. June 27, 1864; unm.; res. W. on the old Damon estate.
37. HORACE E.⁹, b. March 5, 1866; d. June 29, 1867.
38. ABBIE W.⁹, b. Jan. 15, 1868; d. April 8, 1871.
39. ALICE B.⁹, b. Jan. 5, 1874.
40. HERBERT W.⁹, b. Sept. 4, 1875.
41. CLARENCE N.⁹, b. Oct. 14, 1879; d. Oct. 7, 1883.
42. EDITH S.⁹, b. Aug. 14, 1884.

1. DARLING, ELIJAH, ptge., etc., untraced, b. Keene, N. H., at an unkn. date. Studied medicine and practiced awhile in his native tn. In 1824 he m. Miss Kimball of Haverhill, and soon after established himself in W. as the successor of Dr. Silas Pearson. Was a member of Sch. Committee 1826. From here he went to Fg., where he bought out a practice and remained a few yrs., going thence to Dover, N. H., where he d. in mid-life not long after. He was an eccentric character, with tendencies to insanity, which developed in his chn. A dau. committed suicide, and a son was an inmate of the hospital at So. Boston. His wid. was l. a few yrs. since. Though much broken in body and mind she recalled, when the writer visited her in Boston, many pleasant memories of her residence here.

1. DAVIS, EZEKIEL, from Acton, was taxed in 1763. Little is kn. of him or his fam., except that the name of his w. was Joanna and that she bore him 1 s.:

2. EZEKIEL, b. Aug. 17, 1763.

3. DAVIS, BENJAMIN, came from Holden in 1818, and having purchased the brick house and appurtenances at the east end of the village, of Seth Wellington, opened it anew to the public and for 5 yrs. kept it as a country inn. He sold out in 1823 to Levi Graves and left tn. He is said to have m. Mary Estabrook of Athol, by whom he had 1 chd. while here:

4. FREDERICK AUGUSTUS, b. July 27, 1821.

5. DAVIS, JOEL, ptge., etc., unknown, from Temp., bought the Taylor farm beyond No. Common, Sept. 22, 1828, and res. there most of his remaining earthly days. His reason became unbalanced toward the last, and a guardian was app. to care for his property, by the Prob. Ct. The place was sold to James Morse, Sept. 29, 1836. His w. Polly d. May 11, 1833, a. 59, and was commended in the *Mass. Spy* as "a woman of superior character." He d. by his own hand, Feb. 24, 1837. No chn. fd.

6. DAVIS, GEORGE M., s. of Silas and Emily Davis, was b. Sept. 19, 1839, at Grafton, Vt. Coming to Fg., he m. there Aug. 27, 1872, Elizabeth, dau. of Stephen and Julia Smith, and, after res. in Leom. awhile, rem. to this town, May 1, 1875, locating upon the Graves farm, So. W. Chn.:

7. ALFRED M., b. Aug. 29, 1875.

8. JULIA L., b. Oct. 10, 1882.

1. DAWLEY, CHARLES C., b. Willington, Conn., March 8, 1847, m. Nov. 26, 1868, Emma L., dau. of John Dale of Rutland and gd. dau. of Joseph, sometime of W. He first located at Brimfield, where his oldest chd. was b., but rem. to this town in 1870, and set up blacksmithing at the So. village. His w. d. March 31, 1890, a. 41. Chn.:

2. ALICE E., b. Jan. 10, 1870.

3. ALBERT D., b. Feb. 4, 1873.

4. CHARLES BERNAM, b. June 10, 1877.

5. GEORGE LEONARD, b. Jan. 31, 1879.

DAY, MICHAEL, said to have been the first Irishman who set. permanently in W., came here ab. 1843, and res. a few yrs. on the place now owned by L. M. Bassett, in south part. Later he set. on the Dr. White farm in No-town. He was killed by the falling of a tree, Aug. 3, 1869. His w. was Bridget, sr. of Hugh Carey. No chn.

DEAN.

Walter Dean¹ from Chard, Somersetshire, Eng., migrated to this country bef. 1636, when he was living at Dorchester, but rem. thence to Taunton in 1638. He was a tanner by trade, and a man of the public, serving as Selectman sev. years and as Deputy in the Colonial Legislature. By his w., Eleanor Strong, he had 6 chn., of whom Ezra² was the f. of Seth³, whose s. Paul⁴ rem. to Hardwick ab. 1745. The latter m. Mary Whitcomb and had Seth⁵, who went to Brandon, Vt., and m. Molly Bicknell, June 3, 1782. Of this union was:

DEAN, PAUL⁶, b. March 28, 1783. Of deeply religious nature, and strongly influenced by the larger hopes of the Gospel of Christ, he resolved to devote himself to the Christian Ministry, under the auspices of the Universalist denomination then just starting into life. Fitting himself for and entering the work, he preached at Montpelier, Vt., and New Hartford, N. Y., going thence to Boston in 1813, and remaining ab. 30 yrs., becoming one of the most able and accomplished pulpit orators of his time. Outgrowing the narrow theories of the early leaders of the body to which he belonged, he separated himself from it and assisted in organizing the "Restorationist Association," which, however, had but a brief existence. After its dissolution, he affiliated with the Unitarians, in whose fellowship his last years were spent. He came to W. during his transition period, taking up his abode here and supplying the pulpit for the Universalists in 1843 and 1844, and going hence to Easton, where he was Pastor of the First Church and society 5 yrs. In 1850 he rem. to Fram., dying there Oct. 1, 1860, a. 78. In addition to Mr. Dean's labors as a religious teacher and champion of the nobler faith, he devoted much time and effort to Free Masonry, in whose councils he rose to eminence and honor. A lodge of the Order in Easton bears his name and perpetuates his memory. He was the author of several works of a controversially religious and devotional character, and for some years one of the leading editors of the *Independent Messenger*, a weekly journal devoted to the interests of the Restorationist denomination. The wid. of Mr. Dean d. at Boston, Jan. 29, 1879, a. 93. They had sev. chn., but as none of them were b. or were much known here, no effort has been made to tabulate them or detail their history.

DERBY.

In 1677 one John Darby¹, as the name was generally spelled until a recent date, and correspondingly pronounced—a custom recognized and conformed

to in these pages,—was a fisherman of Marblehead, where he owned a cottage and a small lot of land. For lack of evidence to the contrary, it may be presumed that he was b. in England, and came to this country in his early manhood to seek his fortune amid the novelties and wonders of the new world. Possibly he was the bro. of Roger Darby, known to be a native of Topsham, Devonshire, who landed at Boston, July 18, 1671, and set. at Salem, and from whom descended the celebrated surgeon and oculist, Dr. Derby, of the present day. By his w., Alice —, John Darby¹ had 5 chn., the second of whom, John², was b. Oct. 8, 1681. This John Darby², who in his "will," 1747, spelt his name Darbie, m. Deborah, dau. of Roger Conant, and located first at Beverly, but went thence to Ipswich ab. 1720, and from there in 1731 to Concord, where he d. March 7, 1753.

I. DARBY, ANDREW³, the first of the name in W., was s. of John² and Deborah, b. in Beverly, Jan. 26, 1706–7. He was to begin with a weaver by trade, as was his f. before him. In 1733, he purchased land in Concord, "New Grant," now Acton, and, after the incorporation of that town in 1735, took an active part in public affairs, proving himself to be a man of ability, character, and influence. He served the public as Assessor 3 yrs., Selectman 4 yrs., and Constable—an officer of much more dignity and importance in those days than now—1 yr. He disposed of his Acton estate in 1746, and 2 yrs. later, May 10, 1748, purchased lot No. 22, in Narragansett, with house and gristmill upon it, located at the outlet of W. Pond, of Seth Walker, and there he set. and ever afterward lived. His occupation conferred upon him the familiar title of "*Miller Darby*," by which he was designated in all the country round about. He soon won the respect and confidence of the people at large, and was elected to numerous positions of honor and trust. He filled the office of Proprietors' Clerk, 1750–1754, and was for some yrs. both Assessor and member of the Standing Committee before the incorporation of the township. He was one of the first Assessors of the district of W., and also a Selectman, occupying those posts of service 7 and 4 yrs. respectively. He, moreover, was active and influential in the affairs of the church, as elsewhere noted. He acquired considerable property, and in his day was undoubtedly one of the town's most substantial and trustworthy citizens. On his tombstone in the old cemetery is this inscription:

"ANDREW DARBY, DIED MAR. 23, 1783, A. 76.

"HE WAS A LOVER OF GOD'S WORD AND WORSHIP, CONSTANT IN HIS ATTENDANCE AT HIS HOUSE OF PRAYER, AND NOW RESTS FROM HIS LABORS AND THE REWARD OF HIS WORKS DO FOLLOW."

He m., 1728, Elizabeth Patch, incidents of ptge. and b. unknown, and had 9 chn., all b. in Concord and Acton, most of whom set. in W. and vicinity and were represented subsequently in many of the families of the place, their descendants still being found here. The d. of his wid., Elizabeth (Patch) Darby, occurred in the year 1800, month and day not ascertained. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH⁴, b. March 13, 1728–9; m. Abner Holden; res. W.; d. Nov. 13, 1812.

3. SARAH⁴, b. Jan., 1730–1; d. infancy.

4. SARAH⁴, b. March 14, 1732-3; m. Isaac Hubbard; res. Concord.
5. EUNICE⁴, b. Feb. 28, 1734-5; { twins; } m. John Brooks; res. W.; d. 1817.
6. MARY⁴, b. Feb. 28, 1734-5; { } m. Josiah Jackson; d. Feb. 4, 1823.
7. NATHAN⁴, b. Aug. 2, 1737; m. Abigail Pierce; res. W.
8. ANDREW⁴, b. Nov. 19, 1739; m. Elizabeth Sawin; res. W.
9. JOHN⁴, b. July 4, 1742; m. Hannah Garey (Gerry); res. W.
10. RUTH⁴, b. Aug. 20, 1745; d. bef. 1779; prob. unm.

[7.] DARBY, NATHAN⁴, oldest s. of the last, m. March 30, 1762, Abigail, dau. of Jonas and Abigail (Comee) Pierce of Lexington, whose bros., Nathan and John, were early settlers here. He bought, Nov. 16, 1759, of John Estabrook, lot No. 100, 2d Div. (the Joshua Moore place), near the Winchendon road, and located upon it as its original occupant. The date of his decease has not been ascertained but he survived his w. a few years, she dying Jan. 1, 1818. Their chn. were:

11. JONAS⁵, b. March 22, 1763; no record.
12. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Nov. 26, 1764; prob. d. young.
13. RUTH⁵, b. Oct. 30, 1766; d. Nov. 20, 1766.
14. ANNIS⁵, b. Dec. 19, 1768; no record found.
15. LUCY⁵, b. May 9, 1770; m. Paul Bailey; res. Stg; 5 chn.; d. Nov. 15, 1800.
16. EZRA⁵, b. June 24, 1772; d. infancy.
17. RHODA⁵, b. Jan. 5, 1774; m. Jarvis Pierce; res. W., etc.
18. EZRA⁵, b. June 24, 1776; m. Ruth Puffer; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. April 2, 1823.
19. JOEL⁵, b. June 19, 1778; m. Sukey Haynes; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.; d. Jan. 17, 1860.
20. ABRAHAM⁵, b. Aug. 30, 1780.
21. POLLY⁵, b. Oct. 12, 1782; m. Asa Nichols and Samuel Clark; res. Gr. and W.; 5 chn.; d. Aug. 14, 1871.
22. LEVI⁵, b. March 17, 1786; m. Sally Stratton; res. Waterbury, Vt.; 11 chn., one of whom was Philander Derby of Gr.; d. Sept. 12, 1873.

[8.] DARBY, ANDREW⁴, bro. of Nathan, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Stephen and Abigail (Fiske) Sawin, in 1763, and set. in the south part of the town on a section of the Gov. Belcher farm, where his gd. dau. Susan now res. He d. 1806, a. 66, and his wid. m. Nathl. Woodward as a second wife. She d. Feb. 3, 1845, a. 93. Chn.:

23. ABIJAH⁵, b. April 17, 1765; m. Lovisa Wilder; res. W., etc.; 9 chn.
24. ISAAC⁵, b. Dec. 24, 1766; m. Sally E. Hart; res. Lanc., N. H.; 10 chn.; d. 1859.
25. ASAPH⁵, b. June 12, 1769; d. unm. Nov. 25, 1797.
26. MOSES⁵, b. May 9, 1772; d. the following day.
27. AARON⁵, b. May 9, 1772; m. Susannah Wood; res. W.
28. MARY⁵, b. March 5, 1775; d. Sept. 14, 1777.
29. POLLY⁵, b. Dec. 4, 1778; d. 1785.
30. MOSES⁵, b. April 3, 1782; m. Lois Gilbert; res. W. and Burlington, Vt.; 2 chn.; d. 1805.
31. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Feb. 8, 1787; d. Feb. 10, 1787.

[9.] DARBY, JOHN⁴, bro. of Nathan⁴ and Andrew⁴, m. Hannah Garey (Gerry) of Sterling, May 1, 1766, and succeeded his f. in the ownership of lot No. 22, the late John K. Learned place, and in the occupation of miller. He d. March 23, 1818, a. 75. His w. is supposed to have d. bef. 1796. Chn.:

32. WILLIAM⁵, b. March 27, 1768; d. unm. Sept. 25, 1797.
33. RUTH⁵, b. March 11, 1770; m. Ezra Calef and Ezekiel Kendall; d. Dec. 21, 1846?

- 34. JOHN⁵, b. June 28, 1772; m. Betsey Ross; res. W.; d. Feb. 11, 1827.
- 35. JOSEPH⁵, b. Jan. 3, 1775; m. Lovisa Calef; res. W., etc.
- 36. ABEL⁵, b. Dec. 20, 1777; m. Mary Howard; res. W., etc.
- 37. HANNAH⁵, b. Nov. 17, 1781; m. Wm. Bemis; 11 chn.; d. Aug. 12, 1861.
- 38. ANDREW⁵, b. July 15, 1785; m. Lorinda —; res. W., etc.

[18.] DARBY, EZRA⁵, s. of Nathan and Abigail (Pierce) Darby, m. Ruth, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer, Nov. 1, 1798. He first set. on lot No. 31, 2d Div., half a mile west of the Beech Hill Schoolhouse. (See A. H. No. 31.) His last years, however, were spent at the present homestead of Geo. Harris, the house of which he is said to have built. He succeeded Ezra Holden as Sexton and Undertaker. He d. April 8, 1823, a. 46. His wid. m. (2) Samuel Byam of Temp. and (3) Samuel Garfield of W. She d. April 19, 1833, a. 58. Chn.:

- 39. SALLY⁶, b. Feb. 26, 1800; m. Alvin Upham; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. Sept. 21, 1878.
- 40. EZRA⁶, b. Dec. 24, 1802; m. Abigail H. — and others; sev. chn.; res. unkn.
- 41. MARY⁶, b. Jan. 17, 1804; m. Edmund Nichols; res. W.; 11 chn.; d. April 29, 1870.
- 42. ORRIN⁶, b. June 2, 1806; m. and had chn.; res. West; dec'd.
- 43. NATHAN⁶, b. Sept. 24, 1808; d. April 20, 1832; unkn.
- 44. LYMAN⁶, b. April 28, 1811; d. Dec. 23, 1831; unkn.
- 45. RUTH P.⁶, b. Aug. 9, 1813; m. Edwin Terriere; res. L. I.; 4 chn.; d. June 27, 1850.
- 46. LUCY B.⁶, b. Aug. 9, 1815; m. Jacob Messinger; res. Niles, Mich.; no chn.; d. Feb. 17, 1881.
- 47. EDWIN⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1817; nothing learned.

[19.] DARBY, JOEL⁵, bro. of the last, m. Sukey Haynes, Ash, (pub. Oct. 17, 1804), and succeeded Ezra on lot No. 31, 2d Div., which he sold in 1824, to Oliver Estey, but which his son Joel, Jr., rebought 2 yrs. afterward. He also res. awhile on the late Asaph Gates place. He seems to have been out of town for a long while but returned late in life and d. Jan. 17, 1860, a. 81. His wid. d. April 10, 1870, a. 85. Nothing has been ascertained of his chn., save that he had the following b. at unknown dates.

- 48. JOEL⁶; of whom nothing has been learned.
- 49. SUSAN⁶; m. Reuben S. Pond and left town.
- 50. LOENZA⁶; m. S. Locke Woodward; res. Vt. and had chn..
- 51. ADELIA⁶; d. young.

[23.] DARBY, ABIJAH⁵, s. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Sawin) Darby, m. Lovisa Wilder of Pn. and set. first in Lanc., N. H., where most of his chn. were born. He returned to W. in mid-life, spent a few yrs., then rem. to Carthage, Me., where he d. at an advanced age, the date of the event being unknown. Chn.:

- 52. SUKEY⁶, b. Dec. 20, 1789; m. Daniel North; res. Temple, Me.
- 53. POLLY⁶, b. Dec. 26, 1791; res. Weld, Me.; unkn.
- 54. AARON⁶, b. May 10, 1794; m. Jane Wilder; res. Temple, Me.
- 55. SALLY⁶, b. Jan. 11, 1797; m. Breck Allen; res. Hub.; 6 chn.; d. in 1890.
- 56. ASAPH⁶, b. April 25, 1800; d. May 12, 1803.
- 57. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Jan. 26, 1803; m. Gardner Brown; res. Hub.; 9 chn.
- 58. ELIZA⁶, b. Feb. 23, 1805; unkn.; res. Me. and Boston.
- 59. ARTEMAS W.⁶, b. Jan. 21, 1808; unkn.; res. Weld, Me.
- 60. JOHN⁶, b. Nov. 15, 1811; m. Nancy Fletcher; res. Stewartstown, N. H.; 2 chn.

[27.] DARBY, AARON⁵, bro. of the last, m. Susannah, dau. of Elijah and Isabella Wood, Gr., and set. upon the place first occupied by his f. and now in possession of his dau., Susan. He d. May 9, 1870, a. 98. His w., Susannah (Wood), d. May 29, 1855, a. 78. Chn.:

61. ASAPH⁶, b. Sept. 21, 1801; d. June 25, 1805.

62. WALTER⁶, b. June 27, 1803; m. Mary Winchester, Temp.; res. W.

63. CYNTHIA⁶, b. Sept. 5, 1805; m. Nathan Rice; res. Pn.; 9 chn.; d. April 3, 1877.

64. ASAPH⁶, b. Sept. 21, 1807; m. Mary Lyman.

65. MOSES⁶, b. July 1, 1810; m. Rhoda Perry; d. Feb. 1, 1880.

66. SALLY⁶, b. May 28, 1813; m. Asa Dike; res. W.; 5 chn.; living.

67. SUSAN⁶, b. April 3, 1816; unm.; living on old place.

[30.] DARBY, MOSES⁵, bro. of Aaron⁵, m. Lois Gilbert, Nov. 29, 1801, and set. with his bro. on their f.'s place. He was by trade a blacksmith. He d. 1805. Chn.:

68. JOISAH G.⁶; res. Burlington, Vt.

69. —⁶; d. in 1805.

[34.] DARBY, JOHN⁵, s. of John⁴ and Hannah (Gerry) Darby, m. Sept. 21, 1794, Betsey Ross, of unknown birthplace, ptge., etc. He res. in Sterling awhile, where he operated a carding machine, but returned to the old homestead, succeeding his f. in the gristmill, which he run until within the memory of some of the older inhabitants now living. He was the last miller who carried on business at the outlet of the pond. He is also understood to have been one of the first chairmakers in town. Hed. Feb. 11, 1827, a. 54. His wid. d. Aug. 5, 1839, a. 64. Chn.:

70. PHEBE⁶, b. Nov. 30, 1794; d. June 14, 1795.

71. WILLIAM⁶, b. June 26, 1797; d. Nov. 1, 1800.

72. ALMOND⁶, b. May 10, 1800; m. Abigail Kendall; res. W.; no chn.; d. Feb. 2, 1864.

73. PHEBE G.⁶, b. July 11, 1803; d. unm. Dec. 14, 1850.

74. JOHN⁶, b. June 2, 1808; d. Oct. 2, 1809.

75. ELIZABETH⁶, b. July 9, 1810; prob. d. young.

The third of the above chn., and the only s. who lived to mature age, Almond Derby, was a quiet and inoffensive, but useful and worthy citizen, industrious, upright, and exemplary in all the relations of life. He was one of the first chairmakers in W., succeeding his f. on the ancestral estate, and going thence to the Narrows, where he continued the business in partnership with John Edgell, now of Gr., in the old gristmill building, the original use of which they, in part, also maintained. He afterward moved to the Dea. Thurston place, now owned by John Lynde, where he d. Feb. 2, 1864, a. 63. He m. Abigail, dau. of Ezekiel and Abigail Kendall of Sterling, in 1830, but had no issue. She d. Sept. 11, 1880, a. 77.

[35.] DARBY, JOSEPH⁵, bro. of John⁵, inherited jointly with him the property of their f., represented more recently by the homestead of John K. Learned. He bought the trip-hammer establishment on the stream below the gristmill site, and moved the building to the junction of the Worc. and Pn. roads and set up the business of blacksmithing. He also plied his trade in the central village at the Thomas Gaut stand near where Bruce's store is now located, selling to Jesse Warren in 1804. Later in life he resided in both Sterling and Leom., but finally came back to W., where he d. Sept. 2, 1822, a. 47. He m. (1) April 19, 1796,

Lovisa, dau. of Stephen and Anna (Stearns) Calef, by whom he had 10 chn. She d. in July, 1816, and he m. (2) Deborah May of Sterling the following year, who bore him 2 chn. more. The date of her d. has not been found. Chn.:

- 76. HANNAH⁶, b. Nov. 1, 1796; d. 1800.
- 77. EZRA⁶, b. Aug. 17, 1798; m. Abigail Holt; res. Sterling; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 22, 1825.
- 78. HANNAH⁶, b. July 22, 1800; m. Elbridge Dix; res. Boston; 3 chn.
- 79. JOSEPH⁶, b. April 6, 1803; m. Clarissa Underwood; res. Fg.; d. Nov. 8, 1848.
- 80. ELVIRA⁶, b. Feb. 8, 1805; m. Benjamin Phelps; res. Hub.; d. Feb. 22, 1868.
- 81. ARAD⁶, b. April 4, 1807; res. Prov., R. I.
- 82. LOVISA⁶, b. June 28, 1809; m. Alexander Bigelow; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
- 83. NANCY⁶, b. Oct. 25, 1811; m. Jacob S. Constantine; living.
- 84. WILLIAM⁶, b. 1813; d. infancy.
- 85. ELIZA⁶, b. Aug. 4, 1815; m. — Stuart; res. Ashby; d. Dec. 13, 1861.
- 86. MARTHA M.⁶, b. Aug. 29, 1818; unm.; d. Feb. 2, 1877.
- 87. WILLIAM⁶, b. July 14, 1820; m. twice; sev. chn.

[36.] DARBY, ABEL⁵, another s. of John⁴ and Hannah, m. Mary Howard, but remained here only a short time. Chd.:

- 88. MARY⁶, b. June 3, 1799.

[38.] DARBY, ANDREW⁵, bro. of the last, m. Lorinda — ab. 1808, and lived in town some years. He was something of a musician and served as trumpeter in the company of troop. Nothing is known of his later life. Chn.:

- 89. ALMIRA⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1809.
- 90. ANGELINA⁶, b. Nov. 21, 1811.
- 91. ALZINA⁶, b. Feb. 2, 1816.
- 92. AMARILLA⁶, b. Aug. 7, 1823.

[62.] DERBY, WALTER⁶, s. of Aaron⁵ and Susannah, m. Mary, dau. of Ichabod and Abigail (Simonds) Winchester of Templeton, July 4, 1837, and lived on the old place. He d. March 13, 1855, a. 51. His wid. d. Sept. 27, 1881, a. 74. Chn.:

- 93. HENRY N.⁷, b. April 26, 1838; m. Julia A. Murphy; res. W.
- 94. SARAH I.⁷, b. Nov. 12, 1840; unm.; res. Wellesley.
- 95. MARY E.⁷, b. Nov. 23, 1842; unm.; res. Wellesley.
- 96. CHARLOTTE M.⁷, b. May 12, 1844; unm.; res. Wellesley.
- 97. AARON W.⁷, b. Nov. 27, 1846; m. Mary M. Cutting; res. W.

[93.] DERBY, HENRY N.⁷, s. of the last, m. Sept. 16, 1862, Julia A., dau. of Cornelius and Jane Murphy of Fg., and lives at So. W.; a chairmaker by trade. Chn.:

- 98. GEORGE T.⁸, b. Aug. 24, 1863.
- 99. FRANK W.⁸, b. April 19, 1868.

[97.] DERBY, AARON W.⁷, bro. of the last, m. March 25, 1869, Mary Maynard, dau. of Samuel and Mary Cutting of Hub., and res. in W. till recently, when he rem. to the west. Chn.:

- 100. FLORENCE EDITH⁸, b. May 3, 1871.
- 101. RODNEY E.⁸, b. July 5, 1877.

102. DARBY, EBENEZER³, bro. of Andrew (1), the progenitor of all those chronicled above, was a cooper by trade and res. in Nar. No. 2 in 1757, when, with other heirs, he quitclaimed all rights in his f.'s est. to his bro. Robert. He also, in the same yr., enlisted as a sold. in the Co. of Capt. Ballard for service in the F. and I. War. He m. Eunice Tarbox of Wenham, and had 10

chn., none of whom seem to have been b. here. He is supposed to have located finally in York, Me., where a considerable posterity has succeeded him. One of his descendants, Samuel C. Derby, Prof. of Latin in the State University at Columbus, O., is engaged in the preparation of a Genealogy of the Derby family.

1. DICKINSON, ISRAEL, s. of Nathaniel and Ruth (Comins) Dickinson (a descendant, no doubt, of Nathaniel, the immigrant, who was in Wetherfield, Conn., 1637, rem. to Hadley, 1659, freeman 1661, Deacon of the chh. later, dying June 16, 1676), was b. at Swanzey, N. H., Nov. 12, 1788. Coming to W., he m. Betsey, dau. of Merari and Bettie (Heald) Spalding, and set. on the Sangar-Wheeler place, half a mile beyond No. Common. He d. April 1, 1860, a. 71. His wid. d. May 23, 1873, a. 81. Chn.:

2. FREDERICK, b. April 9, 1822; m. twice; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; dec'd.

3. CLARA A., b. Dec. 13, 1829; m. Curtis Glazier; d. Nov. 9, 1887.

4. ISRAEL, b. May 21, 1831; m. Hattie Earle; res. W.

5. FERDINAND, b. July 22, 1835; m. Hattie Maynard; res. W. and Rochester, N. Y.

[4.] DICKINSON, ISRAEL, s. of the last, m. Hattie S., dau. of Jonathan P. and Sylvia (Hamilton) Earle of Hub., Jan. 20, 1869, and set. in the central village. They have no chn.

[5.] DICKINSON, FERDINAND, bro. of the last, m. Hattie, dau. of Luther Maynard, Oct., 1860. He remained in town a few years, succeeding to the ownership and management of the hotel, upon the d. of his f.-in-law in 1863. He greatly enlarged the house and fitted it up for summer boarders, but not long after sold out and rem. to Rochester, N. Y. His w. d. and he m. (2) Addie Brooks, Oct. 5, 1882. Chn. b. W.:

6. CHARLIE E., b. Nov. 18, 1862.

7. LUTHER C., b. Nov. 8, 1864.

DIKE. All attempts to trace this family to its immigrant head have proved unavailing. The name has been connected with the history of Salem and vicinity from an early date. One Anthony Dike was in Co. with Roger Conant, 1631. The first of the name in this town came from Beverly, but a careful searching of the records there revealed nothing of his lineage back of his parents, who were m. June 10, 1703. It is stated by E. M. Stone, the writer of a history of that town, that Benjamin Dike, one of its inhabitants, was slain by the Indians at Cape Sable, N. S., in 1714-15, and tradition has identified him with the father of the W. settler. But the well authenticated facts given below prove the fallacy of that assumption, though it is possible that his grandfather, whose name is unknown, may have been the victim in the massacre referred to. For lack of reliable data concerning the earlier generations, the record of this family begins with the first comer to these borders, as herein set forth.

1. DIKE, NICHOLAS, was s. of Benjamin and Ann (Lucas) Dike, b. in Beverly, Nov. 2, 1722, his f. dying a short time previous thereto. Upon attaining his majority, he came to Lunenburg, where he spent a few years before rem. here, and where

he became acquainted with the woman whom he afterwards made his wife. On the 31st of May, 1751, he purchased of Joshua Church, Bolton, lot No. 74, long known as "the Dike place," situated near Schoolhouse No. 3, in the south part of the town, and soon took up his abode there. He was a man of unusual intelligence, native good sense, sound judgment, and executive ability, winning at an early day the favor and confidence of his fellow-members of the new township and of the general public, and rising to numerous positions of responsibility, service, and honor, which he filled creditably and acceptably. He was one of the Standing Committee of the propriety two years previous to the incorporation of the district, was frequently called upon to preside over town meetings, and held repeatedly the office of Selectman. He was elected Representative to the General Assembly of Mass. in 1776, serving during the critical period which intervened between the renunciation of allegiance to George III. and the formation of the State government. He was the second civil magistrate in the place, receiving his commission as Justice of the Peace prob. in 1776 or 1777, as he was in the discharge of the duties of the office during the latter year. In the records of the Worc. Co. Courts, his name appears in connection with important commissions and posts of public duty more frequently than that of any other W. citizen of his time. He had much of the martial spirit and was active in military affairs, receiving various appointments and promotions in that behalf. He was a soldier in the F. and I. War in 1757, and Aug. 26, 1761, was commissioned "Capt. of the militia Company of Foot in the town of Westminster in the 2d Regiment of Militia in the Co. of Worcester whereof Jos. Wilder is Colonel," by Gov. Bernard. After the commencement of hostilities with the mother country, he received the appointment of "Col. of the 2d Regiment to be raised by the State to defend the line of forts in and about the town and harbor of Boston." (For details of military service in that capacity and otherwise, see Chapters VII and X.) Col. Dike m., prob. in 1756, Mary Hastings(?) of Lunenburg, by whom he had 3 chn. He d. July 29, 1812, a. 90. His w. d. Oct. 2, 1800. Chn.:

2. MARY, b. May 28, 1757; m. Shadrach Newton; res. W., etc.

3. NICHOLAS, b. Dec. 31, 1760; m. Joanna Baker; res. W.

4. SAMUEL, b. Oct. 31, 1763; taxed 1788; no further record.

[3.] DIKE, NICHOLAS, s. of the last, m. Joanna, dau. of Richard and Mary (Sawyer) Baker, Jan. 8, 1785, l. a few yrs. in Halifax, Vt., but ret. to W. and set. on his f.'s est. He was a man of strong physical and mental characteristics, but of nervous temperament with tendencies to insanity, which developed into an incurable mania during the last years of his life. He d. March 2, 1833, a. 72; his wid., Joanna, d. March 10, 1848 a. 84. Chn.:

5. BENJAMIN, b. H., Oct. 5, 1785; m. twice; res. W. and elsewhere.
6. NANCY, b. H., Feb. 28, 1788; d. April 7, 1788.
7. NANCY, b. W., April 16, 1789; m. Joseph Day; res. Shirley; no chn.
8. POLLY, b. W., May 18, 1791; m. Asahel Miller; res. unknown; 9 chn.
9. HANNAH, b. Aug. 17, 1793; m. Richard Morse; res. Hub.; 4 chn.
10. SAMUEL, b. April 2, 1795; m. Lydia Bacon; res. Hub.; 1 chd.
11. LUCINDA, b. April 15, 1797; m. James Morse; 5 chn.; res. W.
12. AMOS, b. Feb. 18, 1799; m. Annis Hill and Sarah W. Alden; res. W.
13. SABINA, b. Jan. 13, 1800; m. Ezekiel Day; res. Uxbridge; 7 chn.
14. ASA, b. Dec. 30, 1802; d. Aug. 21, 1804.
15. ASA, b. Nov. 17, 1804; m. Sally Derby; res. W.
16. ROXY, b. Dec. 26, 1806; unm.; d. Oct. 6, 1885.

[5.] DIKE, BENJAMIN, s. of the above, m. (1) Susannah Matthews of Hub. in 1809, and (2) Lucy Sampson of Ash. (?) He l. for some years on the original Abner Holden (Fenno) place, near Hobart Raymond's residence, but moved to Rutland ab. 1826. His chn., b. mostly or entirely in W., were:

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| 17. JOHN M., b. June 9, 1812? | 18. JOANNA, b. March 26, 1814? |
| 19. LUCY, b. April 6, 1816. | 20. BENJAMIN, b. March 24, 1820. |
| 21. NANCY D., b. March 31, 1822. | |
| 22. ELIZABETH, b. July 20, 1824; d. Aug. 19, 1824. | |
| 23. MARY, b. July 9, 1825; d. Dec. 26, 1827. | |
| 24. CHARLES E., b. March 11, 1828. | |

[12.] DIKE, AMOS, bro. of the last, m. (1) Annis W., dau. of Nathaniel and Annis (Whitcomb) Hill of Gr., Feb. 20, 1825. She bore him 3 chn., becoming subsequently insane and dying Oct. 8, 1845, a. 45. He then m. (2) Sarah W. Alden of Temp. and had 1 more chd. He l. for a time with his f., but afterward was on the Col. Bond farm near the Raymond sawmill. He rem. finally to Lunenburg, where he d. March 11, 1873. Wid. still living. Chn.:

25. AUGUSTUS, b. June 8, 1825; m. (1) Martha W. Kilburn, (2) Lucy A. Kilburn; res. Worc.; 2 chn.
26. JEROME, b. Nov. 26, 1827; m. Elizabeth P. Hills; 3 chn.
27. AMOS, b. April 3, 1830; d. Jan. 26, 1836.
28. SARAH, b. 1852; m. Alfred S. Billings; res. Leom.; 2 chn.; d. May 8, 1879.

[15.] DIKE, ASA, the youngest s. of Nicholas and Joanna, m. Sally, dau. of Aaron and Susannah (Wood) Derby, May 25, 1847. He res. on the home place a few yrs., but finally disposed of it and located on the little farm of Jonathan Sawin, west of the Knower homestead. He d. April 14, 1889, a. 84. His wid., Sally (Derby), is still living. Chn.:

29. ELLEN R., b. May 7, 1849; m. Wm. H. Carter; res. W.
30. MARY S., b. July 1, 1851; m. Alonzo Wheeler; res. Westboro'; 1 chd.
31. ABBIE E., b. May 8, 1853; m. John N. Lee; res. Boston; no chn. rep.
32. CHARLES N., b. Dec. 26, 1855; unm.; res. W.
33. MARTHA J., b. April 4, 1860; m. Chas. L. Penhallow; res. Westboro'; 1 chd.

1. DIVOLL, MERRICK, ptge. unkn., b. July 8, 1796, came to W. ab. the year 1825 and m. Peggy, dau. of Josiah and Sarah (Sever) Cutter, who had been adopted by Ezekiel Flint. He succeeded to the est. of Mr. Flint on Beech Hill, now owned

by S. D. Hobbs, remaining there till his death, which occurred Sept. 27, 1847, at the a. of 51. His wid., Peggy, d. Oct. 22, 1883, a. 88. They had 2 sons:

2. LUKE, b. Dec. 30, 1826; m. Syrena M. Warner, etc.; res. W.
3. EZEKIEL F.; m. Mary M. Jackson; res. Temp.

[2.] DIVOLL, LUKE, s. of the last, m. (1) Syrena M., dau. of Ezra and Sally Warner, Lunenburg, 1858. His w. d. Dec. 12, 1874, and he m. (2) Martha S., dau. of John and Sophronia Lewis. He d. Aug. 16, 1882, a. 55. Chn.:

4. GEORGE E., b. May 16, 1859; m. Lillian R. Howe; res. W.; no chn.
5. MERRICK L., b. March 23, 1866.

DODD.

John Dodd¹ came from the north of Ireland ab. 1742, when 18 years of age, and settled in Bedford. He was a weaver by trade and is said to have produced the first linen goods manufactured in this country. The name of his wife has not been learned. He had, however, a s. William² who m. Anna Child and located for a time in Holden, but rem. eventually to Pn., where he became prominent and active in public affairs, enjoying in a high degree the regard and confidence of the community. He held the office of Town Clerk for many years, the duties of which he discharged with scrupulous fidelity.

1. DODD, RUFUS³, s. of William² and Anna (Child), was b. Pn., Feb. 22, 1770(?). He came to W. ab. 1800, and formed a partnership with Isaac Miles in the English and W. I. goods trade. They dissolved March 14, 1804, and Mr. Dodd associated himself with Zadoc Sawyer in the same business at the so-called Bradbury store. He m. Jan. 16, 1803, Polly, dau. of Ebenezer and Polly (Monroe) Parker, Pn., and res. in the old Minister Marsh house on the Common, though he does not appear to have been the owner of it. He was repeatedly honored with the robes of office by his fellow-townsmen, having been a member of the Sch. Com. 1806-10, and a Selectman in the last 2 yrs. He d. Oct. 20, 1810, "much lamented," leaving, so far as is known, an only chd. His wid. m. (2) Dr. Isaac Warren of this tn. Chd.:

2. MARIA, b. W., date unkn.; m. Strong Mirick; res. Pn.; sev. chn.

3. DODD, WILLIAM³, bro. of the last, b. April 19, 1775, the day of the Concord and Lexington fight. He prob. came to W. to live with and work for Rufus. He m. Rebecca, dau. of Stephen and Rebecca (Wood) Hoar, Aug. 12, 1809. No chn. rep. He d. ab. 2 months after his bro.'s decease, Dec. 19 of the same year. His wid. m. (2) Zachariah Whitman and had 3 chn.

4. DODD, JOHN³, another bro. of Rufus, was only a temporary resident of the tn. He was admr. of the latter's est., and was chosen Constable to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the same. No fam. rep. and no information obtained of his subsequent life.

1. DODGE, ANTIPAS, place and date of b., ptge., etc., not ascertained, was here ab. 1780 and a few years afterward, though his name does not appear in the tax lists until 1786. He m. Lucy, dau. of John and Mary Woodward, and had 2 chn. while in tn. Nothing further known. Chn.:

2. NANCY, b. Sept. 22, 1782.

3. POLLY, b. Oct. 5, 1784.

4. DODGE, RICHARD T., a native of Me., came from Chelsea, 1885, and located on the little homestead on the highway leading from the old Sch.Ho. No. 4 site to the residence of Alonzo Curtis, which he purchased of Mr. Swallow, who occupied it for some years as a summer residence. His w. was Jerusha Spencer, a native of Conn. They had 2 chn., who were b., and always res., elsewhere.

DOTY.

Among the passengers of the historic *Mayflower*, was one Edward Doty¹, sometimes erroneously spelled *Doten*, the only individual of the immortal 101, whose name decended in direct line to a W. family. He was then but a lad—a servant or apprentice of Stephen Hopkins, a substantial member of the Pilgrim Colony. A few years later, he gained unenviable notoriety as one of the principals in the first duel fought in New England. When he came to settle in life, he established himself at Yarmouth, on Cape Cod, where he d. in 1685. Joseph Doty², s. of Edward¹, b. 1651, took up his abode in Rochester, and had there Ellis³, the f. of Edward⁴, who had a s., Zurishaddai⁵, b. Nov. 19, 1731. The latter moved to Hardwick, ab. the middle of the last century, and m. there Mary Warner, of which union came the Dotys of W.

1. DOTY, JOHN⁶, s. of the last named, was b. in Hardwick, 1757. He was a blacksmith by trade and began life at the anvil. At the breaking out of Shays' Rebellion in 1786, he enlisted as Corp. in Capt. Edward Ruggles' Co., raised by order of the Gov. to aid in suppressing it, and shared in the sufferings incident to the memorable night march through a fearful snow-storm in Jan., 1787, to Petersham, whither the insurgents had fled after the humiliating fiasco at Springfield. No doubt he also shared with his fellow-patriots the substantial breakfast which their rebel foes had prepared for their own use, but which, in their surprise and hasty retreat from the place, they left all ready to be served for the hungry appetites of their pursuers. Mr. Doty m. Mary, dau. of Paul and Susannah (Ruggles) Mandell, Sept. 19, 1779, and had 7 chn., all b. in H. He removed to W. early in the present century,—in 1805, says the Hist. of H., though his name is not found in the tax rolls here till 1813. During the last-named year he, in connection with his s., Timothy, purchased the central hotel property, where he prob. res. till his d., Feb. 27, 1830, in the 73d year of his age. His wid. d. May 26, 1841, a. 80. Chn.:

2. CHAUNCY⁷, b. Feb. 16, 1781; m. Isabella Hinckley; res. H.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 2, 1804.

3. SUKEY⁷, b. Jan. 14, 1783; no rec. found.

4. PHILOTHETA⁷, b. Dec. 28, 1784; m. — Pierce.
5. TIMOTHY⁷, b. July 26, 1788; m. Susan Cowee; res. W.
6. PATTY W⁷, b. Oct. 26, 1789; m. Abram Wood; res. W.; no chn.; d. Dec. 18, 1837.
7. LUCIA⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1793; d. young.
8. MARY W⁷, b. Jan. 26, 1797; m. Rev. Joseph Wood; res. South; sev. chn.

[5.] DOTY, TIMOTHY⁷, s. of the last, came to W. with his f. and was associated with him in business, as already indicated, for many years. After giving up the hotel, he built, on land belonging to the original hotel estate, the house now owned by Mr. Lovewell and Mrs. Knight, where he res. the remainder of his life. For many years he run a country store, having opened it while yet keeping a public inn. He was a man of affairs, enterprising and public spirited, of much executive ability, standing well in the community, and influential with the people at large. He held the commission of a Justice of the Peace and numerous town offices; was Selectman 5 yrs., and presided over many town meetings. He m. Jan. 3, 1833, Susan, dau. of Pearson and Susannah (Upton) Cowee, and had one s. He d. March 9, 1835, a. 46. His wid. m. (2) Milton Joslin. She d. Feb. 10, 1879, a. 69. Their s. was:

9. PEARSON C.⁸, b. Oct. 15, 1833; m. Louisa M. Holdbrook; res. in or near N. Y. City; 1 chd.

I. DRESSER, RUFUS, presumably s. of Oliver and Olive (Osgood) Dresser of Pn., b. Feb. 18, 1767, came from Lanc. to W. ab. 1795, but remained only a few years, removing to Vt., it is thought, bef. 1800. He seems to have res. in Gr. at an early date, his oldest chn., according to the rec., having been b. there. He was paid a bounty for crows' heads by the treasurer of this tn. in 1797. His w. was Elizabeth, prob. dau. of James and Maria (Hosley) Laws. Chn. as far as kn.:

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| 2. DAVID, b. Gr., June 16, 1791. | 3. OLIVE, b. Gr., Aug. 28, 1792. |
| 4. RUFUS, b. Lanc., July 22, 1794. | 5. ELIZABETH T., b. W., March 18, 1796. |
| 6. JOEL, b. Tyngstn., May 14, 1798. | 7. EPHRAIM, b. Tyngstn., Nov. 23, 1799. |

DRURY.

About the year 1640, Hugh Drury¹ came to this country, supposably from England, and received from the Mass. Colony a grant of land in the town of Sudbury, upon which he took up his abode. By his wife, Lydia, he had a son John², who m. Mary and became the father of Thomas³, a leading citizen of the town. A second Thomas⁴, son of the last, was one of the early settlers of Shrewsbury, where yet another Thomas⁵ in regular succession was b. July 12, 1720-1. This Thomas⁶ m. Huldah, dau. of Eleazer Taylor of the same town, and established himself in Templeton, then known as Narragansett No. 6, the birthplace of the first settler bearing the name in W.

I. DRURY, ELEAZER⁶, s. of the couple just named, was b. prob. in 1755. He seems to have remained in Temp. until mid-life, when he came to W. and m. Elizabeth, dau. of Abner and Jemima (Trowbridge) Miles, Feb. 19, 1800. The next month he purchased of Paul Matthews lot No. 60, with the buildings

thereon, situated on the easterly side of Graves' Hill, and made there his home. (See A. H. No. 94.) Eleazer Drury d. Oct. 30, 1845, a. 90; his wid., Elizabeth, d. Dec. 3, 1855, a. 80. Their chn. were all sons, as follows:

2. ABNER M.⁷, b. March 10, 1801; m. wid. Maria (Scholes) Drury; res. W.
3. HENRY G.⁷, b. Sept. 7, 1803; m. Mary Maynard; res. Oakham; 1 chd.
4. THOMAS⁷, b. Nov. 10, 1805; m. Anna Gates; res. W.
5. ELEAZER⁷, b. Sept. 12, 1808; d. unm. Sept. 4, 1844, a. 36.
6. ARTEMAS H.⁷, b. Jan. 26, 1811; d. Jan. 12, 1870, unm.
7. JOSEPH B.⁷, b. June 6, 1813; m. four times; res. W., etc.

[2.] DRURY, ABNER M.⁷, s. of the above, m. Mrs. Maria (Scholes) Drury, the wid. of his uncle Thomas of Temp., and dau. of one of the servants of a Hessian officer, who was taken prisoner in the battle of Bennington and sent to W. under parole by order of the Provincial Government at Boston. They were pub. Sept. 5, 1829, and were residents of the town through life. He d. May 26, 1883, a. 82. She d. Aug. 7, 1875, a. 75. Chn.:

8. ELIZABETH M.⁸, b. June 18, 1830; m. Allen F. Davis; res. Phila.; 3 chn.; dec'd.
9. A. EVANDER⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1831; m. Lydia R. Livingston; res. Harrisville, N. H.; no chn. In war of the Rebellion. (See p. 406.)
10. MARIA⁸, b. April 13, 1834; m. James O. Whitney; res. Temp.; 2 chn.; dec'd.

[4.] DRURY, THOMAS⁷, bro. of the last, m. Anna, dau. of Jonathan Gates of Gr., and set. on a farm bought of Abraham Reed, located about a mile west of the central village of the town. He d. May 12, 1860, a. 55. His wid. d. April 7, 1875, a. 73. Chn.:

11. CAROLINE⁸, b. April 10, 1839; unm.; d. Oct. 5, 1883, a. 44.
12. LYMAN M.⁸, b. Feb. 16, 1843; m. Sarah E. Glazier; res. W.

[7.] DRURY, JOSEPH B.⁷, youngest s. of Eleazer and Elizabeth, is a painter by trade, a man of moral worth, a devoted member of the Orthodox Cong. Chh., and an active worker in the temperance cause, for which he has suffered reproach and persecution. He res. in W. some yrs., a portion of which time he was associated in business with Joel Merriam, Jr., but his later life has been spent in Gr. He m. (1) Anna, dau. of John Merriam of W., Nov. 12, 1844, by whom he had 3 chn. She d. Aug. 11, 1849, and he m. (2) Rosanna Wilder of Sherburne, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1850, who bore him 1 chd. and d. Jan. 26, 1853, a. 39. He m. (3) Sarah Wilder, sr. of the last, May 9, 1855. She had 1 chd. and d. at date unkn. He m. (4) Sarah Grimes of Hub. Aug. 3, 1876. Chn.:

13. JOHN E.⁸, b. Nov. 4, 1845; d. June 13, 1868, a. 22.
14. LEVI A.⁸, b. Aug. 9, 1847; m. Fannie Russell; res. Bradford; 3 chn.; living.
15. Unnamed⁸; date of b. and d. unknown.
16. Unnamed⁸; date of b. and d. unknown.
17. SARAH C.⁸, b. May 3, 1858; m. D. Coggsowell; res. Bradford; 2 chn.

[12.] DRURY, LYMAN M.⁸, s. of Thomas and Anna (Gates) Drury, m. Sept. 11, 1867, Sarah E., dau. of Oliver and Maria

Glazier of Pn., and res. on the Samuel Gates (originally Asa Taft) place, on the road to Gr. center. Chn.:

18. NELLIE MARIA⁹, b. July 26, 1868; d. Jan. 1, 1871.

19. CHARLOTTE ANN⁹, b. March 28, 1870. 20. NELLIE MARIA⁹, b. Nov. 30, 1872.

21. LILLIAN GERTRUDE⁹, b. Jan. 20, 1875. 22. EDITH BLANCHE⁹, b. Dec. 30, 1876.

I. DUNN, JOHN, supposed s. of Lucius (Lucas?) and Sarah, was b., it is thought, in Marlboro', May 7, 1761. Much time has been spent in efforts to trace his lineage, but to no purpose. He m. bef. coming to W. and set. in Bolton, but the name of his w. is unkn. She bore him at least 2 chn. and dec'd before 1788, in which year, Feb. 23d, he was pub. to Molly, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer. After marriage he located in W., living for a time on a 4th Div. lot in the S. W. part of the town, owned by his f.-in-law. (See A. H. No. 77.) In July, 1798, he bought 10 acres of land with ho. and bn. of Josiah Colburn, the former residence of Amos P. Spalding. His ho. was burned ab. the year 1815. Mr. Dunn d. July 29, 1832, a. 71, and his wid. d. April 9, 1857, a. 96. Chn., the first two the fruit of the first marriage:

2. LOVETT, b. Marlboro'; was res. there in 1807.

3. VINAL S., b. Oct. 18, 1785; m. Dolly Whitney; res. W.

4. LEVINAH, b. Jan. 10, 1789; m. Joseph G. Whitney; res. W.; sev. chn.; d. June 24, 1875.

5. JOHN, b. April 20, 1791; m. Abigail Jackson; res. W., etc.

6. LUCAS, b. April 6, 1796; m. Hannah —; res. Bolton; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 17, 1833.

7. ASA, b. May 26, 1798; m. and went to Kentucky; nothing further.

8. POLLY, b. May 6, 1800; m. Henry Norcross; res. Lanc.; had chn.

9. LUCY, b. Aug. 8, 1803; m. — Lane; res. Charlestown; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 20, 1830.

[3.] DUNN, VINAL S., s. of John and —, was b. Oct. 18, 1785, and came to W. with his f. in early childhood. He was pub. to Dolly, dau. Abner and Levinah (Glazier) Whitney, Sept. 12, 1806, and when m. set. on the cross road near the Noah May place. (See A. H. No. 29.) He rem. from tn. in mid-life and d. Dec. 3, 1866, a. 81. His wid. d. April 2, 1884, a. 93. Chn.:

10. LEVINA, b. July 29, 1808; m. Moses W. Parmenter; res. Wayland; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 1, 1856.

11. ELIZABETH, b. Dec. 26, 1809; m. — Handscome; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; d. Jan., 1892.

12. JOHN V., b. May 3, 1811; m. Lucy Robbins; res. Weston; 3 chn.

13. ANDREW, b. June 15, 1813; grad. Newton Theo. Inst.; Baptist minister 50 yrs.; m. twice; 2 chn.; now living Royalston.

14. LUCAS C., b. Aug. 22, 1816; d. April, 1817.

15. LUCAS C., b. Feb. 15, 1819; d. Sept., 1820.

16. CHARLES G., b. Feb. 5, 1821; no report of him.

17. GEORGE W., b. Dec. 30, 1823; m. Abigail I. Viles; 8 chn.; living in Weston.

18. SARAH A., b. Oct. 17, 1827; m. George Hoyt; no chn.; d. Nov. 16, 1851.

19. ALDEN, b. July 8, 1830; d. June 16, 1854.

[5.] DUNN, JOHN, half-bro. of the last, m. Abigail, dau. of Oliver and Mary (Pierce) Jackson (pub. June 1, 1815). They set. upon the old Jackson place, recently occupied by Lyman Allen, where they remained till 1838, when he sold to Levi Allen and rem. to Petersham. Late in life they took up their

abode in Gr. to be near their chn., and there they spent their last days. He d. at great age a few years since, as did his w. also. Chn.:

20. OLIVER J., b. Nov. 26, 1816; d. Sept. 10, 1819.
21. VIOLA, b. Aug. 31, 1818; m. Philander Derby; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 24, 1891.
22. ABIGAIL, b. July 12, 1820; m. David Ramsdell; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; living.
23. LUCY E., b. Feb. 20, 1822; d. Dec. 2, 1824.
24. OLIVER J., b. June 24, 1823; d. Nov. 16, 1824.
25. LUCY, b. May 17, 1825; d. Nov., 1842.
26. ELVIRA, b. Dec. 18, 1827; m. Walter Whitney; res. Dedham; 3 chn., one of whom, Frank W., grad. Bost. Univ. 1879; living.
27. MARY, b. Feb. 5, 1830; d. Feb., 1843.
28. JOHN A., b. Nov. 2, 1831; m. Sophia Chaffee; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; living.
29. JOSIAH J., b. March 18, 1834; m. Lucy Stone; res. Petersham; 2 chn.; living.
30. ISAAC J., b. Aug. 15, 1836; m. Hattie Nichols; res. Keene, N. H.; 2 chn.; l.
31. ELLEN A., b. Oct., 1840; m. George R. Chaffee; res. Somerville; 2 chn.; living.
32. ALBERT H., b. 1843?; d. infancy.

DUNSTER.

This patronym is derived from the old English *dun* or *down*, a term signifying a sandy bluff or hillock by the sea-shore, and was originally employed to designate a dweller in such a locality. It has been in use as a family name in Lancashire for more than 300 years, being found in the annals of the time of Henry VIII. The first person bearing it in this country, so far as is known, was Henry Dunster¹, understood to be the son of Henry, of Bury, a few miles north of Manchester, where he was bap. in 1609. Nothing has been ascertained of the character, ability, or standing of his ancestry, but he was of scholarly tastes and habits, and graduated at Magdalen College, Cambridge, 1630, receiving at that time the degree of A. B., and that of A. M. four years later. In 1640 he came to Boston and took up his abode on the corner of State and Washington Sts., opposite where the old State House now stands. He had already risen to a considerable degree of celebrity for his rare gifts and attainments, and his fame in these respects having preceded his arrival on these shores, he was soon called to the Superintendency of Harvard College, then just established and in process of equipment for its appointed work. Accepting the position offered him, he was inaugurated as the first President of that institution, Aug. 27 of the year named. His faithful labors at the post of service assigned him, his wise management of the affairs entrusted to his care, and his benign and powerful personal influence, produced most happy and gratifying results, but coming to entertain certain scruples in regard to the subject of infant baptism and thus differing from the prevailing sentiment of the Mass. Colony, he found a strong and unrelenting opposition to him awakened in the public mind, constraining him to resign his office in 1654. And yet, notwithstanding the virtual accusation of heresy to which he was subjected, he was invited to the pastorate of the church of Christ in Scituate, whither he went, dying there Feb. 27, 1659. He was confessedly one of the finest scholars of his day and time, and was distinguished for his modesty, integrity, and piety.

President Dunster had a s., Jonathan², b. 1653, who, upon arriving at mature age, settled at Menotomy, now Arlington. He was a wise, prudent, and successful manager in worldly and financial affairs, acquiring at length great wealth, which consisted mostly of lands and correlated property. He was the immediate ancestor of that branch of the family which properly claims attention in this work. He m. (1) Abigail Wade, who soon d. without issue, and (2) her sister, Deborah Wade, who became the mother of many chn.

I. DUNSTER, DAVID³, s. of Jonathan² and Deborah, was b. 1706 or 1707, the exact date having eluded inquiry. He m.

Mary, dau. of Hubbard and Elizabeth (Dickson) Russell, a woman of marked ability and character, prob. in 1730. Both were members of the Second Chh. in Camb., she having been admitted Sept. 6, 1741, and he, June 13, 1742. Soon after, he sold his large est. at Menotomy, inherited chiefly from his f., and came to Nar. No. 2, locating upon lot No. 10, which he had purchased 5 yrs. bef. of Wm. Willis of Medford, an O. P. of the township. His dwelling, it is supposed, stood on or near the site of the Forbush house in the Central Village, now owned by E. L. Burnham. Two yrs. later he sold to his next neighbor on the west, Daniel Hoar, and appears to have owned and occupied for a time the Fairbanks Moor place (now Hobart Raymond's), where he is rep. to have had a garrison, built by his predecessor, for a defence against the Indians in the time of "King George's War." In 1749 he disposed of this est. to Jos. Holden, Jr., and bought lot No. 117, on which the westerly part of Wachusettville has been built, long known as the "Dunster farm," and there he passed the few remaining years of his life. He is said to have d. at Rutland, Vt., whither he had gone to look after and care for one of his sons, who was taken sick at that point as he was on his way home from the disastrous Ticonderoga campaign of 1758. The s. recovered, but the f. was stricken down with a fever which proved fatal. His wid. d. April, 1810, a., it is said, 100, the first centenarian in town. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH⁴; bap. April 25, 1730-1; m. James Taylor; res. W.
3. MARY⁴; bap. March 4, 1732-3; m. David Bemis; res. W., etc.
4. HUBBARD⁴; bap. 1735; m. Ruth Bailey; res. W.
5. THOMAS⁴; bap. May 8, 1737; m. Lydia Pierce; res. W.
6. MARGERY⁴; bap. Dec. 23, 1739; m. Joshua Wilder; res. W., etc.; 12 chn.
7. RUHAMAH⁴, b. 1742; m. Dudley Bailey; res. W., etc.; 5 chn.; d. March 8, 1835.
8. H. CARTARET⁴, b. ab. 1745; m. Anna Pierce; res. W.

[4.] DUNSTER, HUBBARD⁴, s. of David and Mary, m. Ruth Bailey, sr. of Dudley, before mentioned, who was from Lanc. (Sterling). He set. on the southern part of his f.'s farm, the site of his dwelling being near an old road, still traceable, leading from Wachusettville to the Geo. Smith sawmill. (See A. H. No. 84.) He d. in 1805, a. 70. His w. d. March 19, 1788. Chn.:

9. EPHRAIM⁶, b. April 18, 1770; d. unm. Nov. 12, 1857.
10. HUBBARD⁶, b. Oct. 4, 1772; m. Rebecca Kendall; res. Gr.; 8 chn.; d. Dec. 3, 1818.
11. REBECCA⁶, b. April 3, 1775; d. unm. 1802.
12. JASON⁶, b. April 3, 1778; d. unm. 1804.
13. NATHAN⁶, b. May 3, 1780; m. Hannah Darby of Fg.; res. W.; d. Aug. 18, 1850.
14. JONATHAN⁶, b. Sept. 19, 1784; d. young.

Hubbard Dunster⁶ (10), of the above family, who m. Rebecca, dau. of Benjamin Kendall, and res. Gr., had a s. Martin⁶, b. Jan. 3, 1798, who grad. at the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati and practiced awhile in Gr., but finally went to Quincy, Ill., where he d. Dec. 2, 1854.

[5.] DUNSTER, THOMAS⁴, bro. of the last, was a soldier in the F. and I. War. (For interesting incident, see p. 103.) He m.

Lydia Pierce of Fg. (pub. Feb.), 1768, and res. on the northerly part of his f.'s farm, the house standing near the site of the present residence of Elmer Baker, at Wachusettville. He d. July 18, 1819, a. 82. His wid. d. May 22, 1832, a. 86. Chn :

15. DAVID⁵, b. March 14, 1770; m. twice; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. July 24, 1840.
16. KEZIAH⁵, b. April 8, 1772; m. Daniel Munjoy; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Feb. 25, 1837.
17. ANNA⁵, b. Aug. 3, 1775; m. Aaron Beard; res. Peru, Vt.; 9 chn.; d. Dec. 17, 1871.
18. THOMAS⁵, b. Aug. 13, 1780; m. Rebecca Harrington; res. Windsor, Vt.; 5 chn.; d. March 11, 1874.
19. LYDIA⁵, b. July 19, 1784; m. John Wood; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. July, 1814?
20. PRISCILLA⁵, b. March 4, 1787; m. Isaac Estabrook; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. March 7, 1875.
21. HENRY⁵, b. May 21, 1792; m. Mary Bemis; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. ab. 1822.

[8.] DUNSTER, HENRY CARTARET⁴, s. of David and Mary, m. Anna Pierce of Leom., 1778, but no chn. are reported. He res. in W., and according to the *Mass. Spy* of Dec. 9, 1790, perished in a fearful snow storm, Nov. 27th of that year.

[15.] DUNSTER, DAVID⁵, s. of Thomas and Lydia, m. (1) Lucy Munden of Hub., Nov. 24, 1798. She bore him 2 chn. and d. He m. (2) — Parker, Hub., but had no chn. by her. He seems to have lived out of tn. considerably, prob. in Hub., but never lost his settlement here. He returned after a time and d. July 24, 1840, a. 70. His chn. were:

22. LUCY⁶; birth date unkn.; m. — Root; res. Hub.
23. HANNAH⁶; birth date unkn.; m. — Parker; res. Hub.

[21.] DUNSTER, HENRY⁵, youngest bro. of the last, m. Mary (Polly), dau. of Thomas and Lucy (Green) Bemis, Oct. 7, 1815. She was then of Chesterfield, N. H. He went into the U. S. Army, and being sent south d. at Baton Rouge, La., ab. 1822. His wid. m. (2) William Lewis and res. near the old red sch. ho. on the turnpike. Henry and Mary Dunster had:

24. JASON⁶, b. Oct. 14, 1816; m. Sarah Perry; res. W.; 4 chn.
25. SYLVESTER⁶, b. June 16, 1819; res. W.; d. unm. May 11, 1842.

[24.] DUNSTER, JASON⁶, s. of the last, m. March 27, 1839, Sarah, dau. of Joseph Perry; had 4 chn., and d. June 19, 1850, a. 33. His wid. m. (2) Elmer Baker, had other chn., and d. Sept. 16, 1861. Jason and Sarah had:

26. SYLVESTER⁷, b. 1842?; d. when 3 days old.
27. JASON A.⁷, b. July 12, 1844; enlisted in 1863; taken sick and d. same year.
28. SARAH A.⁷, b. July 12, 1844; m. Thomas Locke; res. Saginaw, Mich.; sev. chn.
29. MARY C.⁷, b. Aug. 5, 1846; m. Lewis G. Chaffin and George W. Jones; res. Worc.; sev. chn.

DUPEE.

This family is of French origin and belonged, in its ancestral home beyond the sea, to that noble but much persecuted sect of Christian believers known as the Huguenots in the history of the Mediæval ages. After the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685, under which a large degree of religious toleration had been enjoyed, multitudes of these were obliged to flee from their native land to escape violence and death, and find, elsewhere, an

asylum in which they could worship and serve God according to the dictates of their own conscience. Considerable numbers of them came to New England to share the fortunes of those who were seeking to build up here, upon the principles of civil and religious liberty, a new order of social and religious life. Among them were three brothers, bearing the name of Dupuis, two of whom settled in Boston, the other going to parts unknown. Of the two Boston residents, one only, Jean, had children, through whom he became the progenitor of most, if not all, the Dupees in this section of the country.

Jean Dupuis¹ was a distiller by trade, carrying on an extensive business and acquiring a large property. He was a man of high standing and of considerable culture, having a good library which was catalogued in his will. The books were mostly of a religious character, he being a devout Protestant and an Elder in the first French Protestant Church established in Boston. As such he, with other associate elders, received, Jan. 4, 1704, a title-deed of land located opposite the site of the present city hall, on School St., upon which a house of worship was afterwards built. He d. in 1743, leaving five sons, all of whom are supposed to have been b. in France. In his will, dated Jan. 4, 1734, is a clause worthy of quotation if not of imitation, to wit:—"I do earnestly recommend peace and brotherly love to my children, and it is my mind and will, that if my children or any such as shall refuse to sit down quiet by this my will, . . . (he or they) shall forfeit and lose two-thirds of his or their Legacy or Legacies."

Of the five sons of Jean Dupuis¹, the oldest bore his father's name in full, both parts of which he Anglicized, giving the family cognomen the form Dupee, which was adopted by his brothers, and which it has ever since retained. This John Dupee² was a mathematical instrument maker of much skill and wide reputation. His wife was Naomi —, by whom he had several chn.

1. DUPEE, ISAAC³, the youngest of these, was b. Dec. 27, 1731. Upon coming "of age" he went to So. Reading, now Wakefield, where he spent a few years, rem. thence to W. ab. 1756. He m. prob. in 1761, Susan Legate of Leominster. The birth-dates of his chn. have not been found, but he had 2 in 1765 when he and his family were warned out of town. On the 5th of March that year he purchased lot No. 109 of James Bond, Watertown, on which it would seem that he had already erected buildings, made improvements, and located himself. It is the farm on which his gt. grandson, Charles H. Dupee, now resides, and is one of the few homesteads in town still in possession of the descendants of the first occupant. Mr. Dupee, though belonging to a family which had in a not very remote generation been made to suffer under the exactions of arbitrary and irresponsible power, did not sympathize with the liberty-loving patriots of the revolutionary era, but leaned rather to the royal side when the question of independence became the issue between the colonies and the mother country. With him, however, discretion was the better part of valor, and being disposed not to interfere with the measures and activities of the former, he was permitted to cherish his Toryism unmolested. He d. Oct. 25, 1785, a. 53. The date of his wife's d. has not been found. Their chn. were:

2. JOHN⁴, b. ab. 1761; m. Deborah Smith; res. W.

3. JOSHUA⁴, b. unknown date; m. and had 1 chd.; res. Greenwich, N. Y., and d. there.

4. ISAAC⁴, b. unknown date; m. Eunice Harrington; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Sep. 29, 1793.

5. SUSAN⁴, b. unknown date; m. and had sev. chn.; res. Onondaga Co., N. Y.; and d. there.
6. THOMAS⁴, prob., b. unknown date; and d. 1796.

[2.] DUPEE, JOHN⁴, oldest s. of the last. According to the testimony of the family, he, though but a lad at the breaking out of the Revolution, was yet old enough to have opinions of his own upon public affairs, which were not in accord with those of his father, who refused him permission to enter the colonial service, as he desired. Whereupon he left home clandestinely and succeeded in finding a place in the patriot army. By some means, Washington became acquainted with him and was so well pleased with his appearance that he employed him for a time as a personal attendant. He is said to have been in the service several years and to have acquitted himself with commendable loyalty and bravery. His father dying soon after the close of the war, John⁴ succeeded to the estate. He m. Deborah, dau. of Joseph and Calla (Allen) Smith (pub. June 4, 1796), and had 8 chn., only 4 of whom lived to mature years. He d. Oct. 26, 1838, a. 77. Deborah, his wid., d. April 1, 1863, a. 85. Chn.:

7. JULIA⁵, b. June 20, 1797; m. Clark Brown; res. Grafton; 7 chn.
8. LEANDER⁵, b. Sept. 11, 1800; d. Jan. 1, 1801.
9. JOHN JEFFERSON⁵, b. Nov. 14, 1801; d. Oct. 30, 1807.
10. ALMIRA⁵, b. Feb. 16, 1805; d. June 25, 1807.
11. ALVIRA⁵, b. July 28, 1807; d. Sept. 17, 1818.
12. J. JEFFERSON⁵, b. Dec. 4, 1809; m. Abigail Kendall; res. W.
13. CALLA⁵; m. Amasa Leland; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
14. LEANDER H.⁵, b. July, 1817; unm.; lived W.; farmer and civil engineer; d. May 14, 1892.
15. FRANKLIN L.⁵, b. April 20, 1822; d. Oct. 20, 1824.

[4.] DUPEE, ISAAC⁴, bro. of the last, m. Eunice, dau. Seth and Priscilla (Houghton) Harrington, lived in W. awhile, then went to Stafford, Conn. He d. Sept. 29, 1793, and his widow m. (2) Stephen Hunting, Hub. Chn.:

16. JONAS⁵, b. Oct. 31, 1789; went to N. Y.; burned to death.
17. POLLY⁵, b. May 1, 1791; d. Aug. 29, 1800.
18. ISAAC⁵, b. Dec. 16, 1793; went to N. Y. and thence to far west.

[12.] DUPEE, JOHN JEFFERSON⁵, s. of John⁴, m. Abigail, dau. Edward W. and Lucy (Calef) Kendall, March 27, 1839, and res. on the farm of his father. He served some years as Overseer of the Poor. He d. Feb. 4, 1878. Chn.:

19. MARTHA W.⁶, b. Dec. 31, 1842; d. May 2, 1844.
20. LUCY A.⁶, b. Dec. 9, 1846; d. Mar. 13, 1855.
21. MARY A.⁶, b. Nov. 4, 1852; a successful teacher; now living.
22. EMILY A.⁶, b. April 25, 1856; d. June 3, 1857.
23. CHAS. H.⁶, b. Nov. 12, 1858; res. W.; unm.; a farmer on the paternal estate.

I. DUSTIN, ALEXANDER, was s. of Eliphalet and Jannett (McCollum) Dustin of New Boston, N. H., in which town he was b. April 17, 1776. He was, moreover, a descendant, in the 4th generation, of Hannah Dustin of Haverhill, whose experi-

ence and signal exploit in connection with the Indians engaged in the raid, massacre, and abduction of the 15th of March, 1697, are familiar to every reader of early N. E. history. Displaying, while yet but a lad, an aptitude for learning, Alexander was kept constantly at school until fitted for college, entering Dartmouth when 19 yrs. of age, and grad. in 1799. He read law with Hon. Samuel Bell of Francestown, N. H., and other able jurists, and began practice at Harvard, 1804. He rem. to W. in 1810, and for 16 yrs. was an active and influential citizen of the town. He is said to have been learned and skilful in his profession, affable and pleasing in his intercourse with his neighbors and friends, and a valuable member of society. His Alma Mater conferred upon him later in life the degree of A. M. He m. Sophia, dau. of Rev. Edmund Foster of Littleton, but had no chn. He went hence to Sterling in 1826, and d. there Jan. 24, 1837, a. 60. His wid. d. Harvard, Dec. 2, 1868, a. 82.

EAGER.

William Eager¹, supposed to be the immigrant head of the American family bearing that name, was a resident of Malden, ab. the middle of the 17th century. In 1659 he m. Ruth Hall, and rem. to Marlboro' before 1682. He had a s. Zachariah², who was also a citizen of Marlboro', the f. of a second Zachariah³, an early inhabitant of Shrewsbury. The latter m. Abigail Moor, and by her had several chn.

1. EAGER, JONATHAN⁴, s. as it would seem of the last named pair, was b. in Shewsbury, Jan., 1765. He came to W. soon after attaining his majority and was pub. to Rebecca, dau. of James and Mary (Pearson) Cowee, July 19, 1789, afterwards marrying her. He was a mason by trade and res. intermittently in this town and Gr., his exact place of residence here not being known. After bearing him 6 chn. his w., Rebecca, was divorced from him and m. (2) John Bigelow, the husband of her deceased sister Mary. Mr. Eager d. May 1, 1830, a. 65. His w., Rebecca (Cowee) Eager Bigelow, d. Nov. 24, 1853, a. 84. Chn.:

2. FARWELL⁵, b. 1790; m. Althina Bennett; res. W. and Lanc.

3. HORATIO⁶, b. July 1, 1794; m. 3 times; res. W.

4. HARRIET⁶, b. unrecorded; m. and had chn.; d. bef. 1830.

5. NANCY⁶, b. unrecorded; prob. d. unm.

6. BETSEY⁶, b. unrecorded; m. John F. Humphreys, Stow.

7. ELMIRA⁶, b. unrecorded; m. Thomas Knower; res. W.

[2.] EAGER, FARWELL⁵, s. of the last, m. Nov. 30, 1820, Althina Bennett of Lancaster. After remaining here a few years and having 2 chn., he rem. to L. where he continued through life, dying Feb. 1, 1839, a. 49. He had in L. 5 chn., John B., Eliza, and three whose names have not been learned, as they d. in infancy or early childhood. Those of W. were:

8. CAROLINE⁶, b. Oct. 22, 1821; d. Dec. 2, 1842.

9. SARAH⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1823; d. Nov. 27, 1840.

[3.] EAGER, HORATIO⁵, s. of the last, m. (1) Sally, dau. of Timothy and Phebe (Miller) Damon (pub. Oct. 31, 1819), and the same year bought land of his wife's f., upon which he built the brick house where he subsequently lived. He followed the vocation of his f. and later on purchased land and carried on farming in connection with his other business. His w. d. Feb. 4, 1834, a. 39, and he m. (2) Huldah, dau. David and Huldah (Brown) Wyman, May 25, 1834. After bearing 4 chn. she d. Jan. 24, 1865, a. 60, and he m. (3) wid. Louisa H. Flagg, dau. Amos and Mary Hardy of Hollis, N. H., May 18, 1865. He d. Sept. 30, 1875, a. 81, and his wid. d. July 16, 1887, a. 76. His chn. were :

10. ELMIRA⁶, b. Dec. 19, 1819; m. Abraham Adams; res. Waterbury, Vt.; d. March 26, 1843.
11. AUGUSTUS⁶, b. April 10, 1822; m. twice; res. W.; 6 chn.
12. CATHARINE⁶, b. June 25, 1824; d. unm. Sept. 14, 1863.
13. HARRIET B.⁶, b. March 27, 1827; m. David W. Goss; res. Montague; 3 chn.; d. June 3, 1891.
14. GEORGE H.⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1833; d. Nov. 12, 1835.
15. GEORGE⁶, b. Sept. 18, 1835; d. Aug. 3, 1842.
16. SARAH D.⁶, b. June 19, 1837; d. Feb. 24, 1851.
17. ADALINE W.⁶, b. Jan. 29, 1841.
18. ELMIRA A.⁶, b. March 10, 1846; m. — Freeland; no chn.; res. Montague; l.

[11.] EAGER, AUGUSTUS⁶, s. of the last, m. (1) Harriet L., dau. of Aaron and Abigail (Boutelle) Wood, in May 1849. He was a chair dealer, res. in W., building the ho. on the So. side of the common, near the pound, for a home. His w. appears to have d. March 26, 1859, a. 32, and he m. (2) Nov. 16 of the same year, Lucy E., dau. of Josiah and Betsey Babcock of Berlin. He passed on March 24, 1871, a. 48, and his wid. m. (2) G. W. Ames. Chn.:

19. MYRA A.⁷, b. March 16, 1854; m. Merlin A. Beaman; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; living.
20. CHARLES D.⁷, b. Jan. 27, 1861; m. Lilla M. Southwick; res. Berlin; 3 chn.
21. HATTIE E.⁷, b. Oct. 22, 1862; d. Sept. 1, 1864.
22. NELLIE G.⁷, b. Aug. 24, 1866; d. March 7, 1867.
23. WILLIAM S.⁷, b. Jan. 28, 1868; res. Berlin.
24. GEORGE A.⁷, b. March 28, 1870; d. June 19, 1871.

25. EAGER, WILLIAM O., s. of Uriah and Mary of Barre, was b. May 25, 1834; lineage untraced. He m. Emily (Brown), wid. of Emory Warner, Feb. 29, 1861, and a few months later enlisted in the U. S. service for the suppression of the Rebellion. (See p. 407.) After his return he engaged as sailor in a whaling expedition on board the *Susan N. Smith* of Boston, from which he fell overboard Aug. 29, 1869, and was lost. His wid. is still living. One chd.:

26. WILLIAM ARTHUR, b. Feb. 10, 1862; has res. in Gr.; unm.

I. EAMES, NATHANIEL, s. of Nathaniel and Mary (Curtis) Eames, was b. Brunswick, Me., ab. 1797. He m. Marian H., dau. of Stephen and Sybil S. Chaffin of Kingfield, Me., and set. at Lisbon in that State. Came to W. after the war and went

into trade with Charles G. Giles at the Whitman (Merriam) store, establishing an apothecary department, of which he had special charge. He d. April 12, 1873, a. 76. His wid. d. Jan. 14, 1887, a. 59. No chn.

EATON.

Several persons of this name were among the early settlers in Massachusetts, each of them having families and becoming the head of a long line of descendants. *Nathaniel*, an associate of Winthrop and bro. of Gov. Theophilus Eaton of Conn., was teacher in Harvard College before it was fully organized and put in working order under Pres. Dunster. He resided in Cambridge, where he left children, though he himself returned to England under somewhat of a cloud, having been discharged from his office on account of alleged avarice, tyranny, and other misconduct, as he was also, for the same reasons, excommunicated from the church. *John*, who m. wid. Abigail Dammant (Damon), came to this country in 1635 and settled in Dedham. He was the ancestor of the Eatons of Gr., and also of Dea. Orland Eaton, of Hancock, N. H., a leading citizen of that town, and one much interested in its recently published "History"—a work of 1076 pages, prepared by Rev. W. W. Hayward, late of Medfield, dec'd. *William*, with 3 chn., was an early resident of Watertown.

Jonas Eaton¹, the fourth of these immigrant settlers, and per. bro. of Wm., was among the early proprietors of Reading, being there with his wife Grace in 1634, when a dau. Mary was b. They were both natives of England, of course, and very likely m. before coming to these shores. They had a son Jonathan², whose w. Mary bore him Nathaniel³. He m. Lydia —, and of this union came the first of the name in W., to wit:

1. EATON, NATHANIEL⁴, b. in Reading, 1732. In April, 1759, he bought of Richard Newton lot No. 43, 2d Div., on which he soon after located. There he spent the remainder of his days, and there his s., Nathan⁵, lived after him. (See A. H. No. 34.) His w. was Mary Wesson of Sudbury, whom he appears to have m. 2 or 3 yrs. bef. coming here, though she did not join him for some time afterward. He d. Feb. 24, 1799, a. 67. Mary, his wid., d. Jan. 3, 1821, a. 90. Chn.:

2. BETSEY⁵, b. ab. 1757; d. unm. May 9, 1845, a. 88.
3. POLLY⁵, b. ab. 1760; d. unm. Jan. 30, 1839, a. 78.
4. ABIGAIL⁵, b. ab. 1762; d. unm. May 20, 1828, a. 58.
5. EUNICE⁵, b. Nov. 7, 1764; m. Wm. Trask; res. Temp.
6. BENJAMIN⁶, b. June 15, 1768; m. Elizabeth Atwood; res. W. and N. H.
7. NATHAN⁶, b. June 8, 1772; m. twice, as below; res. W.

[6.] EATON, BENJAMIN⁵, s. of the last, m. Dec. 18, 1792, Elizabeth Atwood of Temp. He purchased of his f. 2d Div. lot No. 25, with ho. and improvements, Sept. 9, 1795, living upon it ab. 2 yrs. and then selling it to Elisha Pierce. The exact location of this lot has not been determined. He rem. to Gilsum, N. H., where he has descendants still l. He had sev. chn., of whom the first only was a native of W., to wit:

8. BENJAMIN⁶, b. July 25, 1794; m. and had a family at Gilsum.

[7.] EATON, NATHAN⁵, bro. of the last, lived and d. on the homestead left by his f. He m. (1) Milly, dau. of John and

Elizabeth (Marshall) Baker, June 4, 1794, by whom he had 3 chn. She d. Oct. 20, 1802, a. 29, and he m. (2) Elinor Parmenter of Sudbury, May 15, 1803, and had 13 more. He d. Oct. 14, 1861, a. 89; his wid., Elinor, d. April 22, 1864, a. 83. Chn.:

9. JOHN⁶, b. July 24, 1796; m. Emma Kemp; res. W.; 11 chn.; d. March 13, 1844.
10. MILLY⁶, b. June 20, 1798; m. Nathaniel Trask; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 3, 1873.
11. MYRA⁶, b. June 20, 1800; m. Sumner May; res. W. and Ash.; 9 chn.; d. May 4, 1861.
12. MARY⁶, b. Feb. 17, 1804; d. July 31, 1804.
13. NATHAN⁶, b. May 22, 1805; m. three times; res. W.; d. Dec. 21, 1884.
14. MARY⁶, b. Nov. 21, 1806; d. Feb. 6, 1808.
15. JAMES⁶, b. Nov. 14, 1808; m. Harriet Fowler; res. Irving; chn.; d. June 25, 1852.
16. ELINOR⁶, b. April 10, 1810; now living unm. in W.
17. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Feb. 26, 1812; m. Susan Hosmer; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; d. March 29, 1891.
18. MARSHALL⁶, b. Feb. 22, 1814; d. April 22, 1814.
19. MARSHALL⁶, b. March 3, 1815; m. Equilla Haynes; res. W.; d. March 10, 1881.
20. ELEAZER⁶, b. July 25, 1817; m. Maria —; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; living.
21. STILLMAN⁶, b. Oct. 31, 1819; m. Mary E. Wheeler; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. May 5, 1879.
22. WILLIAM⁶, b. Jan. 18, 1822; m. Ann Gates; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
23. NANCY⁶, b. Feb. 25, 1824; d. July 3, 1828.
24. SARAH⁶, b. July 8, 1827; d. unm. Nov. 12, 1842.

[9.] EATON, JOHN⁶, s. of Nathan and Milly (Baker) Eaton, m. Emma, dau. of John and Sarah (Shattuck) Kemp of Gr., where he res. sev. yrs. Returning to W., he took up his abode in the ho. located on the back road to Gr., near the present dwelling of R. L. Conkling. He d. as a result of an injury received from a circular saw, March 13, 1844, a. 48. His wid., Emma, m. (2) Samuel Learned and l. on the so-called Daniel Sawin place, in the S. W. part of the tn. She d. Jan. 31, 1884, a. 78. The chn. of John and Emma Eaton were:

25. THOMAS S.⁷, b. Oct. 29, 1823; m. twice; res. W.
26. MILLY⁷, b. Sept. 19, 1825; d. Sept. 18, 1826.
27. NATHANIEL W.⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1827; m. and res. Camden, N. Y.; 1 chd.
28. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Dec. 7, 1828; d. Aug. 3, 1830.
29. SARAH A.⁷, b. Sept. 11, 1830; m. Edward Whitaker; res. Bethel, Vt.; 4 chn.; d. April 8, 1870.
30. JAMES M.⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1832; m. twice; res. W. and Gr. In war of the Rebellion. (See p. 416.)
31. WENDELL⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1834; m. Serepta A. Johnson; res. Ash. and Temp. (See p. 416.)
32. SIMEON⁷, b. May 27, 1837; m. and res. Lowell; 3 chn.
33. JEFFERSON⁷, b. June 27, 1839; m. Ellen E. Brooks; res. Worc.
34. FRANCIS⁷, b. Jan. 27, 1841; m. Sarah Scranton; res. W.
35. CHARLES⁷, b. Jan. 30, 1843; d. June 9, 1854.

[13.] EATON, NATHAN⁶, half-bro. of the last, m. (1) Mary Ann Bruce, Marlboro', in 1830. She d. soon s. p., and he m. (2) Emeline Ball of Athol, by whom he had 3 chn. She d. July 10, 1841, a. 34, and he m. (3) Eliza Ann Tavener of Newton, who d. May 7, 1877, a. 65. He res. in the ho. now occupied by his s. Nathaniel, 1 1-2 miles west of the Central Village. His d. occurred Dec. 21, 1884, at the a. of 79. Chn.:

36. MARY⁷, b. March 15, 1836; d. Oct. 25, 1839.
37. NANCY⁷, b. prob. 1838; d. Aug. 12, 1841.
38. NATHANIEL⁷, b. June 28, 1841; d. Sept. 28, 1841.

39. NATHANIEL⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1842; m. Lucy Ann Eaton; res. W.; 2 chn.
 40. GEORGE W.⁷, b. Oct. 23, 1845; m. Mary Whitney; res. W.; no chn.
 41. CALVIN⁷, b. Aug. 27, 1847; m. Laura B. Miller; res. W.; no chn.
 42. SUSAN C.⁷, b. Nov. 4, 1850; d. Sept. 13, 1852.

[19.] EATON, MARSHALL⁶, s. of Nathan and Elinor, m. Sept. 22, 1842, Equilla, dau. of Russell Haynes of Sudbury, and set. in the Silas Perry ho., in the west part of W. village, where his s. Charles now l. He was a chairmaker by trade, as were most of his brothers. He d. March 10, 1881, a. 66. His wid., Equilla, d. March 21, 1888, a. 72. Chn.:

43. NANCY J.⁷, b. July 26, 1843; m. Albert Rice; res. W.
 44. FRANK⁷, b. June 1, 1845; m. Martha C. Jackson.
 45. HELEN⁷, b. March 6, 1847.
 46. MARY⁷, b. May 30, 1849; d. unm. Oct. 28, 1888.
 47. HANDEL⁷, b. Oct. 30, 1851; m. Sarah L. Peabody; res. W.
 48. CHARLES⁷, b. Dec. 20, 1854; m. Maud Butterfield; res. W.

[21.] EATON, STILLMAN⁶, bro. of the last, m. Mary E., dau. of Nathaniel and Elvira Wheeler, Nov. 21, 1850, and l. in the cottage opposite the residence of Marshall, just spoken of. He d. May 5, 1875, his wid. still surviving him. Chn.:

49. LUCY E.⁷, b. Nov. 5, 1851; d. Aug. 17, 1852.
 50. EMMA A.⁷, b. May 18, 1853; m. George N. Haynes; res. W.; 1 chd.
 51. ADDIE L.⁷, b. Sept. 12, 1862; res. W.; unm.
 52. DELLA A.⁷, b. May 18, 1865; m. Frank M. Rice; res. W.

[22.] EATON, WILLIAM⁶, youngest s. of Nathan and Elinor, m. Ann Gates, dau. of Jonathan of Gr., Aug. 12, 1849. They reside in the Penniman ho., a few rods off the main street of the village, near the chair establishment of Nichols Bros. They have had 4 chn., but only 1 is spared to them, as the appended table shows:

53. EMMA⁷, b. Jan. 19, 1852; d. Feb. 3, 1852.
 54. C. ADELIA⁷, b. April 8, 1853; d. May 1, 1860.
 55. LUCY ANN⁷, b. Aug. 15, 1855; m. Nathaniel Eaton (39).
 56. WASHBURN⁷, b. June 3, 1865; d. June 25, 1865.

[25.] EATON, THOMAS S.⁷, s. of John and Emma (Kemp) Eaton, m. (1) Lydia L. Warner, dau. of Calvin and Lydia of Harvard, Oct. 29, 1846. She was the mother of 4 chn., dying April 8, 1858, a. 38. The f. then m. (2) Sarah, dau. of Jesse and Betsey (Comee) Lovewell of Gr., Nov. 28, 1858. Mr. Eaton is a man of enterprise and influence, taking much interest in public affairs. He has been for sev. years Collector of taxes, and is at this present writing Chairman of the Sch. Com. He has had 5 chn., but a sad fatality has left but 1 to gladden his advancing yrs.:

57. EMERETT L.⁸, b. April 21, 1848; d. Sept. 17, 1852.
 58. GEORGIANNA P.⁸, b. Dec. 20, 1850; d. Sept. 12, 1852.
 59. GEORGE EMORY⁸, b. Sept. 20, 1854; d. Nov. 9, 1859.
 60. FREDERICK A.⁸, b. Dec. 4, 1857; m. (1) Alice A. Shepard and (2) Maggie L. Brown; res. W.; no chn.

[30.] EATON, JAMES M.⁷, bro. of the last, m. (1) Nancy Balentine, July 1, 1854. She d. Feb. 18, 1875, and he m. (2) wid.

Anna M. Burnet, Dec. 19, 1881. His chn., all by his first w., were:

61. MARY J.⁸, b. Jan. 24, 1856; m. Alfred Hobbs; res. Pn.; 1 chd.
 62. ELLEN E.⁸, b. Oct. 31, 1857; m. Reuben Puffer; res. Ash.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 3, 1880.
 63. CHARLES E.⁸, b. Sept. 19, 1859; d. at Boston unm. Dec. 7, 1886.
 64. LUCINTHIA⁸, b. May 24, 1861; m. Albert May; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d.
 65. ADA⁸, b. June 16, 1863; d. W., April 7, 1870.
 66. GEORGE H.⁸, b. Sept. 17, 1865.
 67. ALICE L.⁸, b. July 17, 1870.
 68. ADRIAN R.⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1872.

[34.] EATON, FRANCIS⁷, bro. of the last, m. Sarah Scranton and res. for some time in his native tn., but left a year or two since. While here he had a fancy goods store on Bacon St.

[39.] EATON, NATHANIEL⁷, s. of Nathan⁶ and Eliza Ann Eaton, m. Sept. 23, 1880, Lucy Ann, dau. of Wm. and Ann (Gates) Eaton, and set. on the est. of his f., a mile west of the village. They have 2 chn.:

69. ARTHUR GEORGE⁸, b. June 4, 1887. 70. LORA ANN⁸, b. April 22, 1889.

[44.] EATON, FRANK⁷, s. of Marshall⁶ and Equilla, m. Martha C., dau. of Levi and Jane Jackson, Nov. 25, 1871. They res. in the west part of the Central Village, and have 2 chn.:

71. SUSAN M.⁸, b. Oct. 23, 1873. 72. ROY M.⁸, b. March 18, 1881.

[47.] EATON, HANDEL⁷, bro. of the last, m. Sarah L. Peabody of Gr., Jan. 18, 1874, and l. in tn. He d. March 12, 1887, a. 35. Chn.:

73. FLORENCE E.⁸, b. Nov. 16, 1878. 74. LEON H.⁸, b. Sept. 21, 1880.

[48.] EATON, CHARLES⁷, another bro., m. Maud Butterfield and res. in tn. They have 2 chn.:

75. RUBY M., b. March 15, 1881. 76. HERMAN R., b. July 25, 1888.

EDGELL.

The first man of this name in this country, so far as is known, was William Edgell¹, sometimes spelled Edgehill (possibly derived from a town in England where the family may have originally lived), who came hither about 1720 or 1725. He m. Elizabeth, dau. of John Norman of Marblehead, and resided in both Woburn and Lexington. He had 4 sons:—William², b. 1726, and John², Simon², and Benjamin², of subsequent birth. A well-authenticated tradition in the family reports him to have been a man of wealth, leaving considerable property in the old country when he emigrated to these shores. It further specifies that after being here some years, and building for himself a home, he returned to his native land to look after his possessions, with a view of converting them into money, or its equivalent, and bringing it back with him, but was never heard of more; the implication being that he was made way with, by parties likely to be financially profited by such an act. At any rate, he did not return, and the Probate Court accounted him dead in 1743, and took action accordingly, adopting measures for the settlement of his estate and providing proper guardianship for his children. His widow m. (2) Isaac How of Framingham, in which place she d. Oct. 20, 1770, a. 73. The two oldest sons, Wm.² and John², settled in W., Simon² in Framingham, and Benjamin² in Woburn. Of the latter and

his descendants little has been learned. Simon², by his son Aaron³, had a grandson, Moses⁴, who was one of the foremost citizens of F. in his day—a man of superior intellectual and executive ability, of disinterested public spirit, and of irreproachable character. In addition to a splendid example and a grateful memory, he bequeathed to his fellow-citizens and to coming generations a considerable tract of land for a public burial-place, with ample funds for its support. It has been put in order, properly laid out and beautified according to his wishes, and bears the appropriate name of "The Edgell Cemetery."

I. EDGELL, WILLIAM², oldest s. of Wm.¹ and Elizabeth (Norman) Edgell, was b. 1726, being 18 yrs. of age when his guardian was appointed, Dec. 12, 1743. He first appears in Narragansett No. 2, according to the records, Dec., 1750, when he purchased of Jonathan White and Gardner Wilder house lots Nos. 28 and 67, the original estate now represented by Theodore S. Wood. On the 23d of June, 1752, he exchanged that property, which 4 yrs. later came into the possession of Nathan Wood, with James Walker for lot No. 25, long known as the Edgell place, the buildings upon which and a few acres of land are now owned and occupied by Aspasio H. King. He was a public-spirited and active citizen of the tn., esteemed and honored by his contemporaries, holding important positions in the people's gift, and serving the general welfare in numerous ways and to the acceptance of his constituency. An ardent patriot and friend of the colonies in the conflict with the mother country, he did much as a private citizen and by his more public labors, to further their interests and promote the cause of liberty and independence. Animated by much of the military spirit which seems to be a family characteristic, he entered the ranks of the soldiery to rise rapidly to popular favor and to a commission, as an accredited and efficient officer. He was elected Ensign of the 1st W. Co. of the 2d Worc. Co. Regt. in 1771. Later he was promoted to the position of Quartermaster of the Regt., and also served as Lieut. in the Co. of minute men, of which John Estabrook was Capt., marching to Camb. with his comrades immediately after receiving tidings of the Lexington and Concord invasion, April 19, 1775. On the 20th of June, 1776, as the Revolution came hurrying on, he was commissioned Capt. of the 3d Co., 8th Regt., in Worc Co., of which Abijah Stevens was Col. and John Rand Maj. He was in the field very little during the conflict, but rendered his town and country essential and praiseworthy service as enlisting agent and drill-master of raw recruits. (For a more detailed account of Capt. Edgell's patriotic labors, see Chap. X.)

Soon after coming to Narragansett, Mr. Edgell m. Elinor, dau. of Joseph and Ruth Wheeler of Concord, b. Feb. 20, 1727-8, who proved a devoted companion and faithful helpmeet through a long and eventful life. He passed away Jan. 13, 1809, a. 82. She survived him 4 yrs., dying Feb. 12, 1813, a. 84. Their chn. were:

2. LOIS³, b. May 31, 1754; prob. d. young.
3. JOSEPH³, b. April 16, 1756; m. Dorcas Sawyer; res. Gr. and W.
4. REBECCA³, b. Jan. 10, 1758; nothing further found.
5. WILLIAM³, b. Jan. 27, 1760; m. Thankful Puffer; res. W.
6. SAMUEL³, b. Feb. 26, 1762; m. Sarah Heywood; res. Gr.; 7 chn.
7. BENJAMIN³, b. 1764?; m. Priscilla Graves; res. Gr.; 10 chn.

[3.] EDGELL, JOSEPH³, oldest s. of the last, m. Dorcas, dau. of Nathaniel and Jerusha (Flint) Sawyer (pub. May 29th), 1790. He res. for some years in Gr., where most of his chn. were b., but ret. to his native place ab. 1805, spending the remainder of his days in Wachusettville and vicinity. He d. Feb. 5, 1840, a. 83. Dorcas, his wid., d. at date unkn. Chn.:

8. CHARLES⁴, b. Dec. 14, 1791; d. 1809.
9. NANCY⁴, b. May 8, 1793; m. Isaac Kilburn; res. Groton; had chn.
10. JOSEPH⁴, b. Feb. 6, 1795; d. June 21, 1795.
11. REBECCA⁴, b. Feb. 21, 1797; went to Me., m., and d. soon after.
12. JOSEPH⁴, b. Aug. 21, 1801; m. and res. Rochester, N. Y.
13. KENDALL F.⁴, b. Oct. 30, 1804; nothing ascertained.
14. CHARLES⁴, b. 1811; d. Aug. 21, 1813.
15. MARY J.⁴, b. July 11, 1816; d. Sept. 5, 1834.

[5.] EDGELL, WILLIAM³, bro. of the last, m. Thankful, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer, Sept. 8, 1793, and succeeded to his f.'s est., kn. more recently as the Hager place. He was a man of genial temperament, hospitable and generous to a fault, dispensing favors with a liberal hand and to his own personal detriment. Inheriting from his f. a love of military life, he devoted much time and money to matters connected therewith. His first experience in actual service was as a sold. in the detachment of State troops sent out for the suppression of Shays' Rebellion in 1785. Later he joined a company of cavalry recruited from W. and vicinity, of which he was elected and commissioned Capt. in 1807. He sold his farm in 1820 and rem. to the "Pond place," so called, owned by the heirs of his w.'s f. His d. took place July 29, 1831, in the 72d year of his a. His wid., Thankful (Puffer) Edgell, survived him many years, dying at Westfield in 1857, a. 88. Chn.:

16. POLLY⁴, b. Oct. 5, 1794; d. Nov. 18, 1814.
17. BETSEY⁴, b. June 17, 1799; m. John Heywood; res. W.; d. March 21, 1872.
18. WILLIAM⁴, b. July 6, 1802; m. Lorena Miller; res. W.
19. JOHN⁴, b. Oct. 15, 1804; m. Elvira Nichols; res. W. and Gr.; now living.
20. MELINDA⁴, b. May 8, 1807; m. George F. Miller; res. W. and Royalston; d. 1870.

[18.] EDGELL, WILLIAM⁴, s. of the last, m. Lorena, dau. of Ezra and Lucy (Whitcomb) Miller, early in 1824, and spent his days in his native tn. He was for some years a popular stage driver, and later in life a shoemaker and insurance agent. He served the tn. repeatedly and acceptably as Collector of taxes. He and his w. were both great sufferers during their last years from a most painful form of chronic rheumatism, from which they found release only by death, which occurred in his case June 29, 1865, at the a. of 63, and in hers 6 months earlier, Dec. 20, 1864, at the a. of 62. Chn.:

21. MARY LORENA⁵, b. April 2, 1827; d. Oct. 24, 1830.
 22. STILLMAN W.⁵, b. Aug. 27, 1830; res. Boston; d. unm. Jan. 24, 1892. (See p. 416.)
 23. MARY LORENA⁵, b. May 19, 1834; d. March 26, 1836.

[19.] EDGELL, JOHN⁴, bro. of the last, m. Aug. 13, 1829, Elvira, dau. of David and Rachel (Howard) Nichols. He began life as a shoemaker but soon turned his attention to the manufacture of chairs, carrying on the business for a time in company with Almond Derby at Wachusettville, and then by himself at the Jacob Brown place, now owned by Andrew C. Ham. About the year 1836 he rem. to Gr., continuing awhile in the same occupation, and running for some years in connection with it a weekly stage to and from Worc. The combined business of underwriting and conveyancing, augmented by a wide experience in Probate matters, has constituted the regular employment of his later life. He has been one of his adopted town's most active and useful citizens, serving in all the more important positions of public duty. He represented the tn. in the General Court during the memorable session of 1851, as he had also done the preceding year, was one of the projectors and first Directors of the First National Bank of Gr., and one of the corporators of the Savings Bank, as well as one of its Trustees and Investment Committee, from the beginning. A man he is, who, all his life long, has been interested in public improvements, good causes, works of reform, and whatever he has deemed promotive of the general welfare and happiness. In his character and career he has illustrated a high type of manhood and of good citizenship. His w. passed to the unseen world Jan., 1887, in the 81st year of her age. Chn.:

24. ELVIRA E.⁵, b. July 19, 1832; d. Nov. 29, 1839.
 25. EMILY A.⁵, b. Aug. 8, 1834; m. Christopher C. Temple; res. Gr.; no chn.
 26. JOHN D.⁵, b. Sept. 16, 1836; m. Sarah Greenwood; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
 27. CHARLES N.⁵, b. Jan. 29, 1843; m. Helen Bryant; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
 28. THEODORE F.⁵, b. June 15, 1845; d. July, 1845.
 29. WALTER E.⁵, b. Sept. 9, 1850; d. March 8, 1861.

John D. Edgell⁵, oldest s. of John and Elvira N. Edgell, is a man of excellent business ability, rare moral worth, and of good repute wherever known. He was a Capt. in the service of the nation for the suppression of the Rebellion, and represented his district in the General Court of 1879. He was elected first Cashier of the National Bank of Gr., from which position he was elevated to that of President at the death of the former incumbent, Mr. Charles Heywood, in 1882.

30. EDGELL, JOHN², s. of the first named, William¹ and Elizabeth (Norman) Edgell, b. ab. 1729, was also an early settler and for many years a resident here. When a lad he was apprenticed to Jacob Pike of Fram. to learn the housewright's trade. Upon arriving at a proper age, he was impressed into military service for a campaign in the F. and I. War, joining the Co. of Josiah Willard, Jr., which was assigned to Fort Dummer, Brattleboro'. While on the march from Northfield, July 14, 1748, the detachment of men to which he belonged fell into an ambuscade of the enemy, and he with ten others was taken

prisoner and sent to Canada. He suffered great privations and indignities, which so broke down his health that when he was released, a few months later, his employer petitioned the General Court for extra compensation on that account. His apprenticeship over, he came to Nar. No. 2, purchasing May 30, 1759, lot No. 24, 2d Div., now occupied in part by Leonard M. Gates, and set. upon it. At the expiration of 8 yrs. he sold to James Ross of Lanc., and bought lot No. 7, 2d Div., located on Bean Porridge Hill. This lot he cleared and built upon as he had done upon the other. In 1776 he conveyed the property to Zachariah Rand and not long after left tn., going, according to Barry, historian of Fram., to Westminster, Vt., where he d. at a date unkn. He m. Rebecca, dau. of Ephraim Winship of Lexington, and neice of Jonas Winship, an earlier settler here, and had:

30. EPHRAIM³, b. Sept. 6, 1763.

31. REBECCA³, b. Dec. 27, 1765; d. Aug. 26, 1767.

32. JOHN³, b. April 7, 1768.

33. REBECCA³, b. Aug. 9, 1770.

34. LEVI³, b. Sept. 26, 1772.

35. ABEL³, b. 1774?

He also prob. had a son William³, who was killed by a falling tree at Rochester in 1800. Abel Edgell³, named above, m. Susannah Holden, of whom was b., Aug. 15, 1802, John Quincy Adams Edgell⁴. He grad. at the University of Vt. in 1827, and at Andover Theological School in 1831; was ordained at W. Newbury Sept. 19, 1832, and dismissed Oct. 27, 1853. He was not settled again, but labored 10 years as Agent of the Society for promoting Collegiate and Theological Education at the West, when his health gave way and he retired to Burlington, Vt., where he d. Sept. 15, 1867. "A man of superior scholarship, and remarkable for modesty, simplicity of purpose, and great conscientiousness in religious duty."—*Cong. Quarterly*. Of this branch of the Edgell family nothing further is known.

ELICK, NATHAN, ptge., etc., unkn., came from Grafton in 1814, and purchased of Jabez Bigelow a part of lot No. 111, near the old red sch. ho. site in the easterly section of the tn., which included prob. the present homestead of Richard T. Dodge, and having m. Lucy, dau. of Ephraim and Sarah Bigelow, res. there some half a dozen years. He then sold to James Harrington and bought, June 20, 1820, of Dr. Asaph Rice, the farm owned for half a century by his f., the second minister of the tn. His w. d. May 15, 1820, a. 28. He at length disposed of his est., left tn., and no rec. of him since has been fd.

1. ELLIS, PRESTON, s. of Timothy and Dorothy (Partridge) Ellis, was b. in Franklin, Oct. 28, 1803. He m. Samantha, dau. of Liberty and Rachel (Holbrook) Patridge, Dec. 30, 1830, and soon after set. in W. He was for a time associated with his f.-in-law in the lumber business. In 1839 he began gathering and buying berries and small fruit of various kinds, which he manufactured into marmalade and other forms of preserves for the general market. His productions proving popular and salable, he enlarged his business from time to time until it became one of the most extensive and remunerative industries of the

tn. By the aid of his w.—a most capable and worthy woman—and other members of his fam. he was enabled to accumulate a considerable amount of property, a portion of which he very properly secured to his helpmeet and companion for her own personal benefit, use, and disposal. She was a devoted member of the Baptist Chh. and contributed liberally to its support. She passed away Oct. 16, 1881, when 70 yrs. of age. He followed her 9 yrs. later, Nov. 19, 1889, a. 86. Chn.:

2. PRESTON P., b. Dec. 15, 1831; m. Electa Bishop; res. W.
3. RHODA M., b. Nov. 4, 1834; d. unm. April 1, 1890.
4. MARTHA F., b. Jan. 13, 1837; m. Henry J. Partridge; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
5. JAMES, b. July 8, 1839; d. same day.
6. MYRA E., b. April 11, 1851; living; unm.

[2.] ELLIS, PRESTON P., s. of the last, m. May 12, 1859, Electa, dau. of David N. and Rebecca (Kendall) Bishop, Hub., and set. in a house built by himself, a few rods east of his f.'s residence. He was in the preserve business with his f. before the decease of the latter, but has now abandoned it for farming. His w. d. March 1, 1870, a. 33, leaving 2 chn.:

7. WALTER E., b. June 22, 1862.
8. HENRY L., b. Aug. 1, 1869.

1. ELMER, JOSEPH, ptge. unkn., was b. at Vernon, Vt., May 24, 1785. He m. March, 1808, Eliza Goss of Northfield, and res. many yrs. in his native place, where all his chn. were b. Ab. 1830 he came here and located at the Miles' tavern stand on the old turnpike, in the east part of the tn., keeping there a public house. His later life was spent in Worc., where he d. Nov. 17, 1864, a. 79. His w. d. at Oxford, March 4, 1846, a. 55. Chn.:

2. MARTHA M., b. Dec. 20, 1814; m. Silas Jewett; res. Sterling; 4 chn.; d. July 23, 1887.
3. RALPH A., b. May 5, 1816; d. Vernon, March 20, 1823.
4. RUTH E., b. Nov. 28, 1818; m. Wm. Seaver; res. Worc.; 3 chn.; d. April 15, 1865.
5. LUCY P., b. 1820; d. Aug. 13, 1822.
6. LOIS, b. Oct., 1821; d. Aug. 12, 1822.
7. BELINDA A., b. Jan. 29, 1826; m. Warren Goodnow; res. Whittingham, Vt.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 5, 1871.
8. SARAH J., b. June 7, 1827; m. A. W. Seaver; res. Worc.; 2 chn.; living.
9. JOSEPH A., b. Oct., 1828; d. July 15, 1829.

1. EMERSON, JACOB, untraced, was on lot No. 35, 2d Div., west of the Lyman Drury place, in 1762, when a road was laid out for him. In 1767 he was fined for killing deer. His w. was Sarah, dau. of Thomas Dole of Lanc., whom he m. July 5, 1766. Left W. ab. 1780 for parts unkn. Chn.:

2. SARAH, b. June 15, 1767.
3. JACOB, b. Aug. 15, 1769.
4. HANNAH, b. Oct. 1, 1771.
5. REBECCA, b. Oct. 8, 1773; d. June 22, 1775.
6. JOHN, b. Jan. 12, 1776.
7. JEREMIAH, b. July 5, 1778.

The latter of these, Jeremiah, was a public charge in Charlestown in 1840, and application was made to W. for aid in supporting him.

8. EMERSON, AUGUSTUS, s. of Oliver and Ann (Law) Emerson, was b. Acton ab. 1770. He came to this tn. ab. 1811, and

purchasing the Silas Beaman house and store on the easterly verge of the Common, where Geo. S. Ham now lives, went into trade there, continuing the business, sometimes by himself and sometimes with a partner, for 20 yrs. or more. He also kept a public house awhile. He was popular in tn. and seemed prosperous in business, living in apparent comfort and competency, but late in life became greatly reduced financially, and d. at length a tn. charge, June 17, 1844. The name of his w. was Caroline —, who was also from Acton, and who d. May 19, 1826, a. 56. They had no chn., but a foster daughter, Caroline Brooks, a niece of Mrs. E., res. with them, and is pleasantly remembered by some of the older inhabitants. She m. a Mr. Fletcher and went to Jamestown, N. Y., where she, in venerable widowhood, still res.

EMERSON, Rev. BROWN, s. of Jacob and Dorothea, was b. at Harvard, grad. Yale Coll., studied theology with Dr. Fisher of H. and at And. Sem., and was set. as pastor of the Orthodox (Cong.) Chh. in W. Boylston in 1837. He afterwards preached at Torrington, Conn., Northumberland, Pa., Dracut, Billerica, and Vineland, N. J., coming from the latter place to W. in 1859, and being installed as pastor here June 7th of that year. He resigned his charge in March, 1862, and went to Burlington, Conn. He has since deceased. His w. was Catharine B., dau. of Rev. Brown Emerson, D. D., of Salem, a distant relative, to whom he was pub. March 26, 1838.

ESTABROOK.

This name was known in Wales as long ago as 1413, and in Holland, under a Dutch form — Estenbrugge, — at even an earlier date. Its antiquity and place in English annals have not been ascertained. It did not appear in this country till 1660, when three brothers, b. in Enfield, Middlesex Co., came hither to make for themselves a home. One of them settled in Swanzy, Mass., another in Concord, while the third, Joseph¹, already prepared for college, entered Harvard and graduated in 1664. After three years' study of theology, he was ordained and installed as colleague of the Rev. Peter Bulkley, the first minister of Concord, where he remained till his death in 1711. He is said to have been "eminent for his skill in the Hebrew language, and a most orthodox, learned, and worthy divine; of excellent principles in religion, indefatigably laborious in the ministry, and of holy life and conversation." — (*Boston News-Letter*). He preached the "Election Sermon" in 1705. He m. Mary Mason and had four sons, two of whom, Benjamin² and Samuel², grad. at Harvard and became clergymen, the former at Camb. Farms (now Lexington), the latter at Canterbury, Conn. Of the other two, Joseph², the oldest of all, m. (1) Millicent Woodhouse (Woodis) of Concord, and (2) wid. Hannah Loring of Hingham. He set. first in the latter town, but rem. before 1696 to Lexington, where he was an active and influential member of the church and a highly respected and much honored citizen. He was elected Dea. in 1716, a position which he held as long as he lived, besides filling almost every civil office in the people's gift, — Town Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Selectman, and Representative to the Great and General Court. His s. John³, b. July 28, 1694, m. Prudence Harrington, Oct. 27, 1720, and of this union came, in the order of Nature and Providence, the Estabrooks of W., as herein set forth.

I. ESTABROOK, JOHN⁴, s. of John and Prudence, was b. Oct. 20, 1729. He was in Narragansett No. 2, very soon after attaining his majority, having had money paid him by the Treasurer of the township in 1751. During that same year, Oct. 17, he bought lot No. 103, located in the E. part of the town, the most of which has remained in possession of the family to the present day.

Mr. Estabrook, having cleared an opening in the wilderness and erected a suitable shelter for a family, m., prob. early in 1756, Anna, dau. of his near neighbors, Thomas and Mary Bemis, by whom he had, it is believed, the largest number of chn. ever b. in town of the same parentage. Mr. Estabrook d. in 1804, a. nearly 75. His wid., Anna, d. Feb. 26, 1832, a. 92. Chn.:

2. JOHN⁵, b. Dec. 5, 1756; m. Hannah Conant; res. W.; no chn.; d. Jan. 6, 1826.
3. ANNE⁵, b. Sept. 15, 1758; m. Thomas Farnsworth; res. W.; chn. [1839.
4. MARY⁵, b. Sept. 17, 1760; m. Joel Miles; res. Fitzwilliam; 9 chn.; d. Sept. 30,
5. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Jan. 8, 1763; m. James Sawin; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. ec. 26, 1852.
6. JOSEPH⁵, b. March 13, 1765; d. Oct. 8, 1772.
7. ISAAC⁵, b. April 9, 1767; d. Oct. 20, 1772.
8. SAMUEL⁵, b. Oct. 19, 1769; d. by lightning, July 25, 1783.
9. THOMAS⁵, b. June 4, 1772; m. Hepzibah Hunt; res. W.
10. MILICENT⁵, b. July 23, 1774; d. Dec. 14, 1777.
11. JOSEPH⁵, b. Nov. 1, 1776; m. Sally Conant; res. W.
12. ISAAC⁵, b. Aug. 31, 1778; m. Priscilla Dunster; res. W.
13. MILICENT⁵, b. Nov. 25, 1780; d. unm. April 21, 1867.
14. SAMUEL⁵, b. Nov. 21, 1784; went W.; m. there; 3 chn.
15. SALLY⁵, b. Jan. 24, 1787; m. Artemas Smith; res. Chester, Vt.; chn.

[2.] ESTABROOK, JOHN⁵, oldest s. of the last, m. Hannah, dau. of Thomas and Hannah Conant, and settled on a part of the Conant farm near the outlet of Wachusett Pond. They had no chn. He d. Jan. 6, 1826, a. 69. She d. Dec. 20, 1837, a. 83.

[9.] ESTABROOK, THOMAS⁵, bro. of the last, m. Hepzibah, dau. of Nehemiah and Submit (Bateman) Hunt of Concord. He erected a house for himself opp. that of his father, on the original homestead, and there he spent his days. He d. June 1, 1849, a. 77. She d. April 21, 1861, a. 88. Their chn., only two of whom were spared from the shafts of the destroyer till maturity, were :

16. MARY⁶, b. May 17, 1798; d. unm. April 9, 1866.
17. FARWELL⁶, b. Nov. 28, 1800; d. May, 1801.
18. NEHEMIAH⁶, b. June 23, 1802; d. April 19, 1803.
19. JOHN⁶, b. April 4, 1804; m. Selecta Gould; res. W. and Vt.

[11.] ESTABROOK, JOSEPH⁵, s. of John⁴ and Anna, m. Sally Conant, dau. Thomas and Ruth, and succeeded to most of his father's estate, occupying the same dwelling until it was replaced by the one now standing, in which his dau. Mary resides. He d. Jan. 23, 1826, a. 49. His wid., Sally, d. Jan. 22, 1870, a. 82. Chn.:

20. ELLERY⁶, b. Dec. 28, 1805; res. on the old place; d. unm. April 16, 1886.
21. STEDMAN⁶, b. Jan. 9, 1809; d. infancy.

22. HANNAH⁶, b. July 31, 1810; m. Daniel Hayden; res. Marlboro'.
23. RUTH R.⁶, b. Aug. 9, 1813; d. unm. July 11, 1887.
24. CYRUS M.⁶, b. Nov. 19, 1816; m. Bethia Colman; res. Sterling; 8 chn.; living.
25. JOSEPH W.⁶, b. June 29, 1819; m. Mary Perry and wid. Wellington; no chn.; living W.
26. EDWARD W.⁶, b. April 24, 1822; m. Mary E. Waggoner; res. Md.; 2 chn.
27. MARY ANN⁶, b. Oct. 20, 1824; unm.; lives W.

[12.] ESTABROOK, ISAAC⁵, also s. of John⁴ and Anna, m. Priscilla, dau. Thomas and Lydia (Pierce) Dunster, and set. on lands that his father bought of Jabez Bigelow in 1762, near Wachusettville. His dau. Betsey now occupies the house ne built for himself. He d. April 18, 1849, a. 70. Priscilla, his wid., d. March 4, 1875, a. 88. Chn.:

28. ISAAC⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1811; d. May 11, same year.
29. BETSEY⁶, b. June 19, 1812; unm.; has always lived on the home place.
30. ISAAC⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1815; in Florida war; res. Ga.; d. unm. June 12, 1843.
31. CHARLES ASHER⁶, b. May 24, 1817; m. Caroline H. Dow; res. W.
32. SAMUEL⁶, b. Dec. 19, 1821; d. April 24, 1833.
33. Unnamed⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1823; d. Jan. 9, 1823.
34. SARAH ANN⁶, b. Sept. 13, 1827; d. May 14, 1845.

[19.] ESTABROOK, JOHN⁶, s. of Thomas⁵ and Hepzibah (Hunt) Estabrook, m. Selecta Gould, dau. Joseph and Chloe, Tinmouth, Vt., June 5, 1831. He d. April 2, 1880, a. 76. His wid. is still living at Marlboro'. Chn.:

35. MAHALA⁷, b. Dec. 26, 1833; m. Frank B. Fenno; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
36. AMELIA⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1835; m. Josiah S. Howe; res. Marlboro'; 4 chn.
37. MARY⁷, b. Feb. 2, 1839; m. A. M. Brigham; res. Marlboro'; 3 chn., of whom one s., Wm. M., grad. Bost. Uni., 1887.
38. J. WESLEY⁷, b. April 20, 1844; m. Sarah Parkinson; res. Alstead, N. H.; 2 chn.
39. SARAH A.⁷, b. June 6, 1849; m. Frank W. Ellis, Marlboro'; no chn.

[24.] ESTABROOK, CYRUS M.⁶, s. of Joseph⁵ and Sally (Conant) Estabrook, m. Bethia, dau. Almon and Bethia (Horner) Colman, Hub., Oct. 25, 1838. They lived in W. awhile and had 2 chn., then removed to Pn., where they remained a few years, then went to Sterling, their present place of residence. 10 chn. in all; those of this town were:

40. EDWARD C.⁷, b. W., Jan. 9, 1840; m. Mary Corey; res. W.
41. ALVIN E.⁷, b. W., Aug. 29, 1841; m. Hattie Roper; res. Leom.; 3 chn.; living.

[31.] ESTABROOK, CHARLES ASHER⁶, s. of Isaac and Priscilla (Dunster) Estabrook, m. Nov. 23, 1846, Caroline H., dau. Joseph and Sarah (Moore) Dow of Exeter, N. H., where she was b. Sept. 4, 1827. He is a farmer, residing on the paternal estate in a house built by himself, nearly opposite the one occupied by his parents. His w. d. Dec. 25, 1889, a. 62. Chn.:

42. FRANCIS C.⁷, b. July 14, 1847; d. Aug. 6, 1849.
43. ISADORE P.⁷, b. May 10, 1851; m. Edgar A. Edwards; 1 chd.
44. FRANK C.⁷, b. Oct. 26, 1854; unm.; a paper-maker at Bristol, N. H.
45. ARIE A.⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1857; m. Benj. W. Wilson; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 25, 1881.
46. Lewis J.⁷, b. Feb. 7, 1860; d. April 29, 1865.
47. HENRY D.⁷, b. Dec. 9, 1863; unm.; res. Florida.
48. CAROLINE J.⁷, b. July 10, 1870; d. Sept. 9, 1870.

[40.] ESTABROOK, EDWARD C.⁷, s. of Cyrus M.⁶ and Bethia (Colman) Estabrook, m. Sept. 8, 1875, Mary Corey of Holliston. After res. at Marlboro' awhile he returned to W. and settled upon the original homestead of the family, building a new house upon the site of the one burned many years before. Chn.:

49. ARTHUR C.⁸, b. May 9, 1876.
50. WALTER H.⁸, b. Oct. 31, 1878; d. Jan. 21, 1888.
51. JOSEPH W.⁸, b. Oct. 3, 1883; d. Oct. 16, 1887.
52. ALVIN E.⁸, b. Aug. 29, 1885.
53. NELLIE L.⁸, b. Dec. 4, 1887.
54. CARRIE L.⁸, b. Dec. 28, 1890.

I. ESTEY, OLIVER, s. of Oliver and Elizabeth (Gay) Estey of Orange, Mass., was b. March 7, 1797. While but a lad he came here and entered the store of Dr. Bartlett as an apprentice, and there he remained through life. After the decease of the Dr. in 1819, the property of his employer came into his hands. He greatly improved it, extending trade and enhancing in many ways the value and attractiveness of the estate. He m. (1) Oct. 14, 1821, Achsah Bartlett, niece and adopted dau. of the Dr., who d. Jan. 15, 1824, leaving one child. On the 12th of the following Oct. Mr. Estey m. (2) Lucy, dau. of Wm. and Anna (Heywood) Whitney of Gr., who was his faithful helpmeet through life and who survived him more than twenty-five years. He served the town two years as Selectman and was one year a member of the School Committee. He d. May 9, 1854, a. 57. His w., Lucy, d. May 11, 1889, a. 83. Chn.:

2. OLIVER B., b. Jan. 6, 1824; m. Abigail Holden; res. W.
3. ACHSAH M., b. Dec. 8, 1825; m. Chas. G. Giles; 4 chn.; d. Feb. 15, 1869.
4. LUCY E., b. Sept. 10, 1827; m. Chas. G. Giles, 2d wife; no chn.; living.
5. WILLIAM W., b. Dec. 9, 1829; d. unm. Sept. 1, 1862.
6. GEORGE, b. April 24, 1833; m. Susan Bendick; res. G.; d. May 29, 1871.
7. FRANCIS, b. Jan. 31, 1835; lost his health in war of Rebellion and d. Jan. 19, 1865.
8. ELIZA A., b. June 15, 1837; m. Alden F. Adams; res. W.; 2 chn.
9. MARY A., b. June 4, 1841; m. Geo. H. Harris; res. W.; 1 chd.
10. EMMA A., b. March 24, 1848; unm.

[2.] ESTEY, OLIVER BARTLETT, s. of the last, m. Abigail, dau. Jonas and Asenath (Jackson) Holden, Nov. 17, 1846, and remained in town through life. He d. May 12, 1872, a. 48. His wid., Abigail, d. Jan. 19, 1876, a. 51. Chn.:

11. FRANK L., b. Jan. 28, 1859; d. Oct. 11, 1860.
12. FANNIE E., b. May 25, 1862; m. Chas. W. Minott; res. W.

EVANS, ELIAS⁶, s. of Thomas⁵ and Rebecca (Smith) Evans of Reading (birth-date unknown), was a descendant of Henry¹, who came from Wales early in the history of the Mass. Colony and settled in that part of Reading now called Greenwood, by the following line: Nathaniel², Nathaniel³, Jonathan⁴, Thomas⁵. The mother of Elias was a very devout, zealous Christian, after the type of her own particular school of faith, whose religious experiences were so marked and impressive, and whose labors

of benevolence and piety were so many and notable, as to be deemed worthy of portrayal and commendation in a volume detailing and commemorating them at considerable length after her decease. In 1820, July 29, Mr. Evans bought of Jesse Stone the fulling mill built by Elisha Hall at the outlet of the town meadows, which he run for a time, and of which he was in possession ab. 20 years. During the latter part of his residence here he was engaged in painting and kindred pursuits. Ab. the year 1839 he removed to Concord, N. H., where it is sup. he spent the remainder of his days. The date of his d. is unknown. No w. or chn. reported.

EVERETT.

This name has been more than ordinarily conspicuous and reputable in the State of Massachusetts and throughout the country at large during the almost entire period of their history. It has represented not only persons of superior moral worth and of wide usefulness in the more retired and unobtrusive walks of life, but those of eminent gifts and praiseworthy achievements in spheres of public activity and influence, as scholars, physicians, jurists, divines, statesmen, and orators of distinction and renown. It was variously spelled in the olden time, appearing in ancient records and transcriptions as "Everard," "Everitt," etc., though the more modern and generally approved form at the present day is that given it at the head of this sketch.

The immigrant progenitor of the greater part, if not of all, the families distinguished by this name in New England was Richard Everett¹, who came to these shores ab. 1632, locating at Watertown for a brief period, but rem. to Dedham in 1636, being one of the founders of that town, and dying there July 3, 1682. He is regarded as of English birth and descent, though his antecedents are unknown. He had a son, John², who bore the title of Capt., the father of Richard³, both of whom res. in Dedham. The latter had a son Joshua⁴, who took up his residence in Attleboro', whence a scion of the stock was transferred to W.

1. EVERETT, JOSHUA⁵, s. of Joshua of Attleboro', was b. Sept. 21, 1741. He could have scarcely more than attained his majority when he came to this town, his name first appearing in the assessor's lists of 1763. On the 21st of June the following year he m. Molly Titus of his native place and, bringing her here, set up housekeeping in the first dwelling erected in the township, where Hobart Raymond now res., as tenant prob. of Jos. Holden, jr., and there their oldest child was b. ten months afterward. Before that event occurred, he had bought the N. E. corner of lot No. 10, now represented by the residence of E. S. Burnham, originally improved and occupied by David Dunster. He prob. moved there in 1765, cultivating to begin with the land, but subsequently starting a tannery, the first in the place. He remained some 16 years, meanwhile erecting the spacious dwelling house still standing on the premises, which he opened as a hotel in 1777. On the 26th of May, 1781, he sold his estate, with its buildings and appurtenances, to Wm. Penniman from Braintree, and, four days later, purchased of James Bowers the confiscated homestead of John Bowen, a loyalist "absentee" of

the neighboring town of Pn., and soon after located there, thus laying the foundations of, and giving a name to, what was in later days the little hamlet of "Everettville". There also in due time he started a tannery which he run in connection with his agricultural operations, and which at his decease he transmitted with his farm and other landed estate to his two sons, Wm. and Joshua; the fathers respectively of the late W. Stillman Everett and of the venerable J. T. Everett, who has recently taken up his abode in town. Joshua Everett, sen., d. Feb. 4, 1825, a. 84. His w., Molly (Titus) Everett, d. June 5, 1823, age unascertained. They had 3 chn.:

2. WILLIAM⁶, b. April 15, 1765; m. (1) Pamela How and (2) wid. Lucy Richardson; d. Dec. 7, 1857.
3. JOSHUA⁶, b. Feb. 4, 1767; m. (1) Ruth Wood and (2) Lucy Roper; d. Feb. 21, 1851.
4. RHODA T.⁶, b. Jan. 31, 1770; m. Houghton Osgood, Pn.; d. May 7, 1853.

5. EVERETT, JEREMIAH⁴, s. of Richard³ of Dedham and uncle of the above-named Joshua (1), was b. Nov. 12, 1713. He was the first regularly bred physician of the town. Of his early years nothing has been learned. He m. (1) Rebecca Blackinton of Attleboro' and is said to have had seven chn., the oldest of them being Richard⁵, b. Jan. 3, 1737, of whom more below. He was here as early as 1763, engaged in the practice of medicine, purchasing of John Brooks the following year the S. W. corner of lot No. 4,—the Estey estate—where he resided for 18 years, the only knight of the saddle bags in town. In Dec., 1782, he sold to Dr. Daniel Bartlett and soon after left for parts unknown. His wife d. prob. before he came here, and he m. (2) Elizabeth Warren, Sept. 7, 1766. No chn. by her are reported. Prob. none of his chn. were ever more than transient residents here. The place and date of his d. have not been ascertained. Only one chd. has been brought to notice:

6. RICHARD⁵, b. at unk. date; m. Drusilla Shurtliff Clair; 2 chn., as herewith noted.

Richard Clair Everett⁶, sometimes called simply Richard Everett in the records and sometimes Clear Everett, was an intermittent inhabitant of W., between 1770 and 1791. He was s. of Richard⁵ and Drusilla, b. March 28, 1764. While yet a boy, his father, who was a sailor, was lost at sea, and his mother, grief-stricken and broken hearted, soon followed her beloved to the spirit world. A sister went to live with an aunt in Boston and soon after d., while he came to W. and made it his home with his grandfather. In 1779, when only 15 of age, he enlisted in the company of Capt. Cowdin of Fitchburg for a month's service in the Rev., and in 1780 and 1781 his name appears in the quota for W. as the Chap. upon that conflict will show. While in the army he was brought to the notice of Gen. Washington, who employed him as a personal attendant. Leaving the seat of war, he joined an expedition to Lancaster, N. H., where he hired out as a common laborer till 1784, when, animated by a desire to make the most of himself, he gathered up what means he had, went to Hanover, N. H., entered Moor's Charity School in order to prepare himself for Dartmouth College then recently established, from which institution he grad. with 30 others in 1790. During this year, and several others before and after, he taught school in W., as the Selectmen's order books definitely show.

Mr. Everett chose the law for a profession and, after studying for it 3 years at Albany, N. Y., was admitted to the bar in the courts of N. H., in 1794, settling and entering upon the duties of his calling at Lancaster, the place of his former residence. Business in the then new country proving abundant and lucrative he

was enabled at an early day to purchase large tracts of land in and about Lancaster, which became sources of great wealth to him in later years. By close and careful study and diligent practice of the law he rose to be one of the most learned, popular, and influential attorneys of northern New Hampshire. He was in the Legislature of the State for several sessions near the opening of the present century and attained a commanding position in the councils of that body as jurist and statesman, his name being identified with the most important and salutary legislation of that period. His superior talents and high character won the respect and favor of Gov. Gilmore, who, in Jan., 1805, appointed him Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for Coos Co. He was one of the most eminent men in his time in that section of N. E. As a private citizen he was above reproach and highly esteemed; most genial, faithful, and happy in his domestic and social relations; as a jurist, able and commanding, his decisions being sustained by honesty of purpose, good sense, a wide acquaintance with men and affairs, and a profound and comprehensive knowledge of law.

Judge Everett was stricken down in the midst of his usefulness by a serious illness which terminated his mortal existence March 22, 1815, when nearly 51 years of age. He m. about the time he was admitted to the bar, Persis, dau. of Jonas Wilder, a pioneer settler and prominent man of northern N. H., by whom he had 7 daus. One of these m. Col. Ephraim Cross and lived on the paternal estate till her death in 1883. She was the mother of Mrs. Persis F. Chase, the present occupant of the old home, and of Col. Edward E. Cross, who is said to have "immortalized the historic field of Gettysburg with his blood." Of the other daus. of Judge Everett, 3 d. young, while the other 3 m. and illustrated, in life and character, a worthy, noble womanhood.

7. EVERETT, PELETIAH⁶, nephew of Joshua⁵ by an unknown bro., came to W. as early as 1775, in which year he enlisted for eight months' service in the company of Edmund Bemis, engaged in the siege of Boston. He was long connected with the army during the struggle for independence and rose to important positions among the troops. He was Ensign in the 5th Mass. Regt., 1777-1781, and a Lieut. in the 1st Regt. in 1783, giving him a title which he bore ever after. He was an original member of the historic and highly dignified "Society of the Cincinnati," composed of commissioned officers of the Revolution and their descendants, being present at the headquarters of Gen. Baron Steuben, on the Hudson, when it was founded, June 9, 1783. This society was established under the sanction of Washington, whom it honored by electing him President-general in 1787, a position which he held till his d. in 1799.

Mr. Everett was a saddler and harness-maker by trade, and carried on the business prob. in connection with other lines of industry. In 1784 he purchased the so-called "Pond house," near Hobart Raymond's, where he opened a store the following year and subsequently a public house, which he run till 1796. In 1805 he sold out and located on the borders of Tophet Swamp, at the extreme westerly end of the village. He m. (1) Jan., 1785, Mary, dau. Josiah and Lydia (Merriam) Cutting, and had 7 chn. She d. April 28, 1800, and he m. (2) April 25, 1802, Dorcas, dau. Samuel and Sally (Pierce) Fessenden. He d. Oct. 19, 1821, a. 70. Dorcas, his 2d w., d. Jan. 2, 1840, a. 60. Little has been learned of his chn.:

8. DAVID M.⁷, b. June 26, 1785.

9. PELETIAH M.⁷, b. June 3, 1787; m. Abigail Carter; res. Fitz., N. H.; 5 chn.; d. May 12, 1850.

10. POLLY⁷, b. May 28, 1789.

11. JOEL⁷, b. 1791; m. twice; res. Wrentham; 6 chn.; d. 1881.
12. JOHN C.⁷, b. May 10, 1794; m. Anna Fessenden; res. W.; no chn.; d. Ashby.
13. MILLY E.⁷, b. Jan. 29, 1797.
14. ASA C.⁷, b. March 28, 1800; m. Rowena Spalding; res. W. and Ashby; 1 chd.; d. July 22, 1874.
15. HIRAM⁷, b. June 26, 1802; d. May 31, 1803.
16. SALLY⁷, b. June 23, 1804.
17. HIRAM⁷, b. Oct. 7, 1806.
18. LEONARD⁷, b. June 1, 1809.
19. TRYPHENA⁷, b. June 30, 1811; m. Ephraim Martin; d. Dec. 15, 1843.
20. GEORGE AUGUSTUS⁷, {
21. SUSAN AUGUSTA⁷, { twins, b. Sept. 27, 1817.

FAIRBANKS, ELIJAH, ancestry untraced, came to this tn. from Leom. ab. the year 1809, and bought of John Dexter, also of Leom., the former Garfield place, now owned by Daniel E. Hurd. He was distinguished by the military title of Capt. He is presumed to have had a family, but no record of any has come to hand. He was in the place but a few years, selling his farm in Dec., 1812, to Abel Wood, Jr., a long-time resident upon it, and very likely returning to Leom. No further knowledge of him.

FARNSWORTH.

Joseph Farnsworth¹ is said to have been an immigrant settler at Dorchester in 1639. He had a s. Matthias², who first took up his abode in Lynn, being there in 1657, but rem. to Groton, where he was established in 1664, and where he became a leading citizen. He had a s. Jonathan², b. 1675, the father of a second Jonathan⁴, b. 1701, whose s. Jonathan⁶, b. ab. 1725, m. Rachel Nutting, May 24, 1749, and lived in Harvard. He had, with other chn., three sons, who set. in W.

1. FARNSWORTH, ELIAS⁶, b. June 17, 1750, came to W. soon after attaining his majority, and either bought or built a blacksmith's shop on the corner of the lot then owned by Joseph Holden, Jr., now in possession of Geo. W. Hager, diagonally opposite what was afterward the Everett tavern, mentioned on a preceding page. Nov. 25, 1773, he m. Lois Willard of Sterling, and in the following year sold his shop to his bro. Thomas, and moved away. He appears to have been a wandering planet, being located at different times in Sterling, Winchendon, and elsewhere. Later in life he returned to W. and had a shop on the south side of the road, a few rods west of the residence of George Harris. In 1823 himself and wife appealed to the town for aid, but their case was referred to Harvard, he never having gained, it was claimed, a residence here. The names of their chn., as gleaned from the church records in Sterling, where they were bap., were Elias, Ephraim, Rachel, Phebe, Mercy, William, Otis, Joshua. Lois (Willard) Farnsworth d. Dec. 7, 1823, a. 66. The place and date of his d. are unknown.

2. FARNSWORTH, THOMAS⁶, bro. of the last, was b. Oct. 23, 1752. He also was a blacksmith and first appeared in town in 1774, as the purchaser of the shop before spoken of. April 29, 1776, he m. Relief, dau. of Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden,

who unfortunately d. within a month thereafter, widely beloved and greatly lamented. Two years later he m. (2) Anna, dau. of John and Mary (Bemis) Estabrook, and ab. the same time purchased the aforesaid "Pond house" near his shop. After four or five years he disposed of this property and went to Halifax, Vt., subsequent to which time nothing concerning him has come to light. His chn., b. in W., were:

3. RELIEF⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1779.

4. THOMAS⁷, b. Feb. 6, 1781.

5. JOSEPH⁷, b. Nov. 26, 1782.

6. FARNSWORTH, ASA⁶, another s. of John and Rachel, was b. May 12, 1754. He first located in Temp., but after two or three years joined his bros. in W., purchasing, Dec. 16, 1778, the easterly portion of lots Nos. 107 and 108, 90 acres, with sawmill standing thereon and improvements, of Dea. Joseph Miller, erecting a house for himself on or near the spot occupied to-day by the residence of Samuel H. Sprague. There he res. some yrs., selling during the time a part of his est. to his bro.-in-law, Phineas Gates, who built a dwelling ho. near by and run a tannery, as elsewhere narrated. The remainder was disposed of at a later date to Ephraim Robbins. For a while his place of residence was on lot No. 112, in the upper part of Wachusettville, he being the owner of the original Brattle sawmill and lands adjoining. In 1801 he bought the original Philip Bemis place, lying north of the residence of George Harris (see A. H. No. 60), where he res. till his d., June 22, 1830. On the 6th of Aug., 1777, he, then of Temp., m. (1) Damaris, dau. of Phineas and Sarah Gates of Stow, who was the mother of his 5 chn. She d. 1803, and he soon m. (2) Sally, wid. of his first w.'s bro., Phineas Gates, Jr. The date of her decease has not been fd. Chn.:

7. ABIGAIL⁷, b. 1778; m. Edward Follansbee; res. Rutland; 1 chd.; d. July 9, 1846.

8. LUCY⁷, b. April 1, 1780; m. Joseph Dale; sev. chn.; d. Rutland, 1845.

9. PHINEAS⁷, b. May 19, 1782; d. infancy.

10. HANNAH⁷, b. Dec. 5, 1784; m. Wm. Sawin; res. W.; no chn.; d. Aug. 3, 1835.

11. ASA⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1786; m. Jemima Gates; res. W. and West; 8 chn.

12. POLLY⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1788; m. Joel Merriam; res. W.; d. July 22, 1873.

[II.] FARNSWORTH, ASA⁷, s. of the last, succeeded to his f.'s estate. He was a man of considerable enterprise and force of character and given somewhat to speculation and adventure. This characteristic, no doubt, led him to sell out his property in W. ab. 1840, gather up the proceeds, and rem. to Michigan, purchasing virgin lands there, settling upon them, and profiting by the anticipated rapid growth of the country. He m. early in 1812 Jemima, prob. dau. Noah Gates of Stow. He d. Mt. Clemens, Mich., July 1, 1838. Date of her d. unk. Chn.:

13. NOAH G.⁸, b. May 25, 1813.

14. CHRISTOPHER⁸, b. Dec. 25, 1814.

15. SARAH C.⁸, b. Dec. 3, 1816; m. Maverick Harrington; res. Okemos, Mich.; 6 chn.; living.

16. DAMARIS⁸, b. Jan. 11, 1819.

17. MARY ANN⁸, b. Nov. 13, 1821; d. unm. Nov. 23, 1889.

18. MIMA⁸, b. Feb. 12, 1824; m. — Stiles.

19. CAROLINE⁸, b. Dec. 6, 1828; m. Malchus Harrington; res. Camden, N. Y.; sev. chn.
 20. LUCY⁸, b. Sept. 24, 1831; m. — Seeley.

21. FARNSWORTH, JONATHAN, came from Fg. ab. 1840, and for some years res. in town. He was a shoemaker by trade, and a teacher of vocal music by profession. He led the choir at the Universalist Church to general acceptance, and had singing schools, in this and neighboring towns, during the fall and winter months. His first w. was Mary, dau. of Stephen Holden, Jr. She d., however, bef. he took up his abode here.

I. FARWELL, SAMUEL, ptge., etc., unascertained, m. Abigail, dau. of Stephen and Anna Calef (pub. Dec. 27, 1795), and had one chd.:

2. SAMUEL, b. June 15, 1796.

3. FARWELL, HENRY, s. of Simeon and Hepzibah of Fg., b. Dec. 3, 1795, came to W. ab. 1812; and was engaged for a few years as clerk in the store of Zadoc Sawyer. He m. Oct. 5, 1819, Nancy, dau. of John and Susannah (Sawyer) Jackson, and set. first in N. Y. State, but afterward rem. to Sterling, Illinois. They were the parents of John V. Farwell, a well-known and wealthy merchant of Chicago, and an active and liberal member of the Y. M. C. A. of that city; and of Charles B. Farwell, who was elected to the Senate of the U. S., as successor to the distinguished Gen. Logan. Henry Farwell d. Jan. 4, 1873, a. 77. Nancy Farwell d. Sept., 1887, a. 89.

I. FENNO, WILLIAM, was s. of John and Hannah of Boston. He came to W. from Newton as early as 1787, in which year he m. (1) Rachel, dau. of Asa and Anna Ray. He owned lands at the S. E. extremity of Bean Porridge Hill for some years, and prob. lived there at one time. He went from W. to Gr. ab. 1798. His w., Rachel, d. Aug. 23, 1791, and he m. (2) her sister Lydia the following year. He d. in 1822, but the date of his w.'s d. is unknown. Chn.:

2. POLLY, b. Jan. 17, 1788; d. Aug., 1790.
 3. MARY, b. Feb. 18, 1790; m. Abel Wood.
 4. WILLIAM, b. Dec. 4, 1794; m. Mary Corey.
 5. ASA, b. Dec. 19, 1796; m. Gratia Wheeler.
 6. JOEL, b. Feb. 6, 1799; m. Sarah Corey.
 7. ELMIRA, b. Sept. 12, 1804; m. Joseph Carter.
 8. LUCINDA; m. Washington Nichols. 9. LYMAN; m. Mary Miller; 4 chn.

IO. FENNO, EPHRAIM, bro. of the last, was b. Boston, 1759. He m. Lucy — and res. in B. sev. years, coming to W. ab. 1794. He d. suddenly Jan. 7, 1820, a. 60. Chn.:

11. POLLY, b. June 24, 1788; m. Hiram Clarke; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; sev. chn.
 12. NANCY, b. March 20, 1790; d. Feb. 17, 1791.
 13. NANCY, b. May 23, 1793; m. Zadoc Sawyer; res. W. and Vt.
 14. ROXANNA, b. Oct. 12, 1795; d. Dec. 10, 1800.
 15. REUBEN, b. June 22, 1798; m. Betsey Bond; res. W.
 16. EBENEZER, b. July 1, 1801. 17. FREEMAN, b. May 3, 1805.

[15.] FENNO, REUBEN, s. of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of Thaddeus and Relief Bond (pub. April 7), 1829. He was a shoemaker by trade, well known in his day, and l. on the corner near the res. of Hobart Raymond. He was a quiet, worthy, much respected citizen, and held the office of Selectman in 1835. He d. June 3, 1871, a. 72. His w. d. March 10, 1866, a. 65. Chn.:

18. MARTHA B., b. March 16, 1831; d. unm. Feb. 10, 1861; much beloved and lamented.

19. FRANKLIN B., b. June 20, 1833; m. Mahala G. Estabrook; res. W.

20. MARY G., b. April 30, 1838; m. L. L. Sawin; res. Gr.; 2 chn.

[19.] FENNO, FRANKLIN B., above named, m. Mahala G., dau. of John and Celesta (Gould) Estabrook, June 20, 1852, and res. W. Was a chairmaker by trade, and a sold. in the war of the Rebellion. (See Chap. XX.) He d. Aug. 27, 1875, a. 42. (Error of date on p. 407.) Chn.:

21. HELEN L., b. Nov. 1, 1855; m. Geo. W. Bruce; res. W.; no chn.

22. ALICE M., b. Feb. 14, 1858; d. Aug. 3, 1861.

23. FRANK W., b. Oct. 24, 1861; res. W.; Cashier of Bank and Town Treasurer.

24. MATTIE A., b. Dec., 1863; d. March 3, 1865.

25. EDGAR E., b. Sept. 19, 1867; m. Ida Fisher; res. Gr.

FESSENDEN.

Few names appear in the records and registries of the past under such a variety of forms as that which, in its modern and more generally received orthography, is given above. In looking up the history of the family to which it belongs, the explorer finds members of it masquerading beneath such spelling as Fessenden, Fessinden, Fessington, Fezington, Feziden, Fisenden, Phesington, Phesenden, Fishingden, Fishington, etc., much to his annoyance and amusement. He is relieved, however, when he learns that out of this confusion has been evolved at length the simple term Fessenden, the authenticity and validity of which no one at this day seems disposed to deny or question.

The first of the name in this country was John Fessenden, who came to Cambridge ab. 1635, from Kent Co., Eng. He was a glover by trade and a man of good standing in the community, a member of the church and Selectman of the town for eleven years previous to this death in 1666. His w., Jane, d. in 1682. Having no chn., he sent across the sea for a kinsman, supposed to be a nephew, Nicholas¹, to come and live with him. Nicholas¹ accepted the invitation, arriving on these shores in 1665, when but 15 years of age. Upon the decease of John he came into possession of the estate that was left, as he also continued the business of glove-making, to which he had been trained. He m. Margaret Cheney, who bore him 14 chn. and d. Dec. 10, 1717, a. 61. He d. Feb. 24, 1719, a. 68. Among the chn. were Nicholas², a distinguished teacher of Camb.; Benjamin², who grad. H. C. 1718, studied divinity, and was minister in Sandwich 24 years; William², the grandfather of Thomas S. Fessenden, a famous lawyer, poet, wit, and author, and the ancestor of Wm. Pitt Fessenden, a distinguished member of the U. S. Senate from Me. a generation ago; and Thomas², who m. (1) Abigail Poulter and (2) Abigail Locke, through both of whom he was represented in the annals of W. One of his sons, John³, b. April 27, 1729, m. Elizabeth Wyman, set. in Rutland, and was for many years one of the most active, prominent, and highly honored men in Worc. Co.

I. FESSENDEN, TIMOTHY³, s. of Thomas² and Abigail (Locke) Fessenden, was b. May 6, 1731, at Lexington, and m. Nov. 15, 1753, Elizabeth, dau. of Jonas and Abigail (Comee) Pierce; the sr. of Nathan and John Pierce, early settlers of W. He appears to have been here soon after his m., though it is prob. that he did not become a permanent resident for several years. On the 29th April, 1765, he purchased lot No. 100, in the E. part of the town, now occupied by Geo. W. Peeler and family, where he located and spent his days. Several of his chn., it is presumed, were b. before coming here, though it is not so stated in the public records. He d. March 1, 1805, a. 73. His wid. d. July 18, 1808, a. 73. Their chn. were :

2. TIMOTHY⁴, b. May 23, 1754; d. Oct. 10, 1756.
3. JOHN⁴, b. March 23, 1756; m. Eunice Merriam; res. W.; no chn.; d. Feb. 8, 1836.
4. TIMOTHY⁴, b. Jan. 26, 1758; d. Dec. 5, 1772.
5. REUBEN⁴, b. Dec. 25, 1759; d. Jan. 4, 1781.
6. SOLOMON⁴, b. Jan. 15, 1762; m. twice; res. Halifax, Vt.; 10 chn.; d. Sept., 1818.
7. ELIZABETH⁴, b. June 4, 1764; m. Samuel Merriam; 5 chn.; d. May 11, 1842.
8. MOLLY⁴, b. Aug. 25, 1766; d. Nov. 2, 1772.
9. HANNAH⁴, b. Sept. 5, 1768; d. Dec. 17, 1772.
10. Unnamed⁴, b. Aug., 1770; d. same day.
11. JOSEPH⁴, b. Feb. 23, 1772; d. March 3, 1772.
12. BENJAMIN⁴, b. Feb. 23, 1772; d. March 18, 1772.
13. TIMOTHY⁴, b. June 6, 1773; m. Submit Hunt; res. W.
14. BENJAMIN⁴, b. Aug. 26, 1774; m. Elizabeth Salisbury; res. Vt.; 6 chn.
15. JONAS⁴, b. July 26, 1776; m. Abigail Walker; res. W.

Of the above family, Solomon⁴ (6) m. (1) Elizabeth, dau. Jedediah and Lucy (Mixer) Tucker of Shrewsbury, and (2) Eleanor Fisher. He res. at Halifax, Vt., and had 10 chn., one of whom, Hosea⁵, liv. and d. at Concord, N. H. He was Dea. of the Unitarian Church, and a highly esteemed citizen,—a noble example of Christian manhood. Benjamin Fessenden⁴ (12), another member of the above family, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Jonathan and Mary Salisbury of Warren, R. I. He located first at Halifax, Vt., rem. thence to Guilford, and finally to Brattleboro' in the same State. He had a son, Edson⁵, who was for a time Pres. of the Hartford, Conn., Insane Hospital, and Director of the Phenix Life Ins. Co.

[13.] FESSENDEN, TIMOTHY⁴, s. of Timothy and Elizabeth (Pierce) Fessenden, m. Submit, dau. Nehemiah and Submit (Bateman) Hunt of Concord (pub. July 12), 1800, and set. half a mile south of the place of his birth. He d. Oct. 22, 1834, a. 61. His wid. d. Oct. 13, 1841, a. 65. Chn.:

16. REUBEN⁵, b. Feb. 15, 1801; d. May 21, 1803.
17. RUFUS⁵, b. Aug. 7, 1802; m. but no chn. reported; d. Oct. 4, 1834.
18. TIMOTHY⁵, b. Aug. 22, 1804; m. Cynthia Raymond and Sallie L. Minott; res. W.
19. JOHN⁵, b. Sept. 30, 1806; m. R. Sabrina Hunt; res. W. and N. H.
20. BENJAMIN⁵, b. June 5, 1809; m. twice; res. Camb.; 4 chn.; still living.
21. MIRIAM⁵, b. Jan. 14, 1812; m. Joseph K. Bundy; res. N. Haven, Conn.
22. FRANKLIN⁵, b. Oct. 16, 1816.

[15.] FESSENDEN, JONAS⁴, bro. of the last, m. Abigail, dau. Paul and Rebecca (Haines) Walker, Nov. 29, 1798, and set. with his father upon the original homestead of the family. He d. while yet a young man, April 18, 1808, a. 32, and his wid. m. (2) John C. Miller who thereby come into possession of the estate. Abigail (Walker) Fessenden Miller d. Feb. 9, 1822, a. 46. Chn.:

23. ASA⁵, b. Sept. 9, 1799; m. and res. Temp.; had chn.
24. REBECCA⁵, b. March 4, 1807; d. 1808.

[18.] FESSENDEN, TIMOTHY⁵, s. of Timothy and Submit (Hunt) Fessenden, m. (1) Cynthia, dau. Nathan and Mary (Clark) Raymond (pub. Aug. 10), 1832. He was a chairmaker and carried on the business in W. for many years, finally selling out and removing to Ohio. His wife, Cynthia, d. April 13, 1841, and he m. (2) Sally L., dau. Joseph and Sally (Graves) Minott. He d. in Ohio, date unknown. She d. Sept. 27, 1861, a. 53. His chn., so far as known, were:

- 25. CYNTHIA M.⁶, b. Aug. 20, 1834; d. May 26, 1854.
- 26. ELIZA JANE⁶, b. May 5, 1836.
- 27. SARAH ANN⁶, b. Dec. 31, 1837; d. Aug. 21, 1842.
- 28. CHARLES R.⁶, b. Nov. 29, 1839.
- 29. MARY M.⁶, b. Sept. 13, 1842.
- 30. ELLEN M.⁶, b. 1845; d. Aug. 19, 1854.

[19.] FESSENDEN, JOHN⁵, bro. of the last, m. his cousin, R. Sabrina, dau. of David and Lydia Hunt, and lived for some years on the Williams place, near Everettville. He d. May 11, 1857, a. 50. His wife d. July 24, 1853, a. 47. Chn.:

- 31. AMANDA S.⁶, b. Dec. 29, 1839; living at Pepperell.
- 32. FANNIE A.⁶, b. Oct. 30, 1843; m. — Newhall; res. Mason, N. H.
- 33. GEORGE T.⁶, b. Aug. 23, 1837; res. Ohio.

34. FESSENDEN, SAMUEL⁴, was s. of Samuel³ (half bro. of Timothy³) and Elizabeth (Allen) Fessenden, bap. Lexington, July 6, 1749. He m. Sarah, dau. Nathan and Sarah (Mead) Pierce of W., Nov. 21, 1771, and soon took up his abode in the place. Oct. 3, 1776, he purchased of Isaac A. Green, lot No. 33, 2d Div., in the W. part of the town, known formerly as the Jonas White farm. (See A. H. No. 32.) He res. there about 20 years, selling at length to Mr. White, then of Waltham. Later in life, he located on lot No. 30, now owned by F. A. Taylor on the E. side of the Meetinghouse pond, where he d. in July, 1816, a. 67. Sarah (Pierce) Fessenden, his wid., d. Dec. 21, 1844, a. 91. Chn.:

- 35. SAMUEL⁵, b. June 15, 1774; m. — Wheeler.
- 36. SALLY⁵, b. July 15, 1776; nothing found.
- 37. AMITY⁵, } twins, b. Jan. 25, 1779; { d. unm. 1803.
- 38. DORCAS⁵, } m. Peletiah Everett.
- 39. NABBY⁵, b. April 7, 1780; m. Stephen Hicks, Fg.
- 40. LUCY⁵, b. April 28, 1781; nothing further kn.
- 41. ANNA⁵, b. May 28, 1783; m. John C. Everett; res. W.; no chn.
- 42. ISAAC⁵, b. Nov. 13, 1790; m. twice; d. July 22, 1825.
- 43. LEONARD⁵, b. Oct. 19, 1793; d. June 21, 1809.

1. FLAGG, ASA, prob. s. of John and Sarah (Hager) Flagg of Waltham, b. Nov. 18, 1712, was on lot No. 25, belonging to Samuel Hager, a kinsman, in the early days of the tn., remains as late as 1657. No further record of him has been fd.

2. FLAGG, JOEL, s. of John and Ann (Batchelder) Flagg, a descendant, no doubt, of Thomas of Watertown (1643), in the 5th generation, was b. Grafton, June 7, 1788. He was pub. to Cata, dau. of Liberty and Submit Partridge, Jan. 7, 1818; m.

and set. in Hub., though he was a temporary resident here at a later day, occupying the original Richard Newton ho., west of the Capt. Bigelow place. (See A. H. No. 69.) He had a large fam. of chn., whose respective names, without regard to age, were: Samantha, Cata, Jane, Sumner, Leander, Otis, Joseph, Dana P., Levi, Oliver, Sewall. Levi d. in the great blizzard of March, 1888; Oliver d. at So. Royalston, and Dana P., in Vt.; Sewall was killed in the war of the Rebellion, and Sumner was burned to death in the conflagration of a barn in Worc.; Joseph served 3 yrs. in the army, and is now living in R. I. The mother d. in Fg. at an unkn. date, and the f. at Grafton, ab. 1878, a. 90.

3. FLAGG, OTIS, s. of Joel and Cata Flagg, was b. Hub., July 31, 1822. He m. Oct. 19, 1848, Sally Rebecca, dau. of John and Sally (Moore) Merriam, and for a few years was an intermittant res. in W. and Gr., but in 1858 set. upon the old Thomas Merriam farm, where he still remains. Chn.:

4. CHARLES OTIS, b. Aug. 10, 1851; m. C. E. Alexander; res. R. I.; 2 chn.; living.
5. SARAH ELIZA, b. May 4, 1853; m. David O. Cargill; res. R. I.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 25, 1884.
6. MYRON L., b. Feb. 13, 1855; d. young.
7. GEORGE EDWARD, b. July 8, 1856; d. young.
8. WALTER HENRY, b. Feb. 24, 1859; m. Maria J. Belcher; res. R. I.; 3 chn.; l.
9. FRANK LINCOLN, b. Nov. 5, 1865; m. Mary E. Foss.
10. ELLA MARIA, b. March 17, 1868; m. Arno E. Hurd; res. W.
11. EDWARD RUEL, b. May 14, 1870.

The oldest of the above chn., Charles Otis (4), grad. at the Mass. Agric. Coll., Amherst, 1872. After a brief sojourn at the South he located in some place in R. I., where he has been honored with the positions of Town Treasurer and Notary Public. He is also one of the Board of Managers of the State Agric. School and Experimental Station, by appointment of the Gov., and is otherwise identified with the farming interests of the State of his adoption.

12. FLAGG, DANA P., bro. of the last, birth date unkn., m. Oct. 7, 1844, Emeline, dau. of Amos and Rebecca F. Howard of Pn. After res. sev. yrs. in town, he rem. to Vt., where he d. Chn., as far as records show:

13. EDWIN, b. June 30, 1846; d. Jan. 27, 1854.
14. MERRILL, b. Sept. 30, 1850.
15. HERBERT, b. March 6, 1852; d. May 13, 1854.
16. HORACE L., b. Feb. 13, 1854.
17. Unnamed son, b. Nov. 22, 1855.

FLINT.

Much difficulty has been experienced in attempting to trace the lineage and relationship of the sev. families bearing this name, that have at different times dwelt within the limits of this town. A good-sized volume claiming to be a "History of the Flints in America," while giving a fairly full and satisfactory account of the earlier generations and some of the later ones, is strikingly deficient and uncertain in respect to the families which have had a residence here. The best record of them possible to the compiler is presented below, though without the claim that it is free from more or less serious defects and errors.

No doubt all the Westminster Flints were descendants of Thomas¹, who come to the country from Wales, as the family tradition runs, ab. the middle

of the 17th century and set. in that part of Salem which is now Peabody, where he is known to have res. in 1650. He had a s., Thomas², who was in the war with Philip, receiving a wound at the "Swamp Fight." By his w., Mary, he had Thomas³, from whom appears to have sprung the first representative of the family mentioned below. His wife's name has not come to hand.

1. FLINT, JOSEPH⁴, prob. s. of the last named, Thomas³, must have been b. ab. 1725. In 1761 he, with w., Molly, and 7 chn.,—Elizabeth⁵, Phineas⁵, Edward⁵, Polly⁵, Hannah⁵, Delia⁵(?), and Joseph⁵,—were warned out of town. According to one authority, Joseph⁴, s. of Thomas³, m. Hannah Herrick Dec. 8, 1762, and had Porter, bap. April, 1763, Joseph, bap. Sept., 1765, and Luther, bap. Oct., 1766(?). But the two statements do not necessarily conflict, inasmuch as the d. of the w., Molly, and of her youngest child, Joseph⁵, in 1761 or early in 1762, would make a second marriage and the birth of a second Joseph⁵ both possible and lawful.

On the 4th of April, 1769, Joseph Flint bought of James Richardson, Reading, the lot long known as the Hadley place, in the extreme north part of the town, now Fred. W. Smith's, and probably erected the first set of buildings there, in which he lived for nearly 20 yrs., selling to John Hadley of Stoneham, March 3, 1787. His name appears for the last time in the tax-lists of 1790. But whether he went or what became of his family, much searching has not discovered. Mr. Flint was a land surveyor, and was distinguished by the military title of Capt.

2. FLINT, PORTER⁵, prob. s. of the last, m. Lucy Hartwell, Fg., Dec. 30, 1790. He was one of the petitioners for a new town in 1786, and active in the movement for building a meetinghouse in anticipation of such a consummation, as detailed in Chap. XI. He was in Ash., 1792, and thence went to parts unkn.

3. FLINT, JOSEPH⁵, sup. bro. of the last, was taxed a few years and then disappeared with the others. He is recorded as having m. Mary Hartwell, presumably sr. of Lucy, named above.

4. FLINT, JONATHAN⁵, said to be s. of Thomas⁴, bro. of Joseph⁴ (1), was b. June 28, 1741. He m. (1) May 19, 1774, Mary, dau. of Jacob and Rebecca (Upton) Upton, and set. in the extreme north part of the town, taking active part in the enterprises above mentioned. His w. d. s. p., and he m. (2) her sr., Rebecca, May 20, 1777, by whom he had 5 chn. He d. Feb. 16, 1787, and his wid. m. his bro., Benjamin, and had a dau. Lucinda. His chn. were:

5. SYLVESTER⁶; bap. June, 1778; res. W. awhile and disappeared.

6. REBECCA⁶; bap. April, 1780; res. Fg. and d. ab. 1803.

7. SALLY⁶; bap. July, 1782.

8. JONATHAN⁶; bap. Sept., 1784; perhaps resident and landowner on "Common," 1811.

9. OLIVE⁶; m. — Brown.

10. FLINT, BENJAMIN⁵, was s. of Lieut. Benj.⁴ and Peggy (Sawyer) Flint of Reading, b. 1759. Lieut. Benj.⁴ was cousin of Joseph⁴, being s. of William³, s. of Thomas², etc. The W. Benj.⁵ m. (1) ab. 1783, Mary Swain, who d., and (2) Eunice Stowell, both prob. of Reading. Early in 1789 he was in W. and purchased the school lot, No. 94, lying N. W. of the Winship place. He res. there ab. 10 yrs., selling in 1799 to Merari Spalding and leaving town. He seems to have been a man of affairs, and as such was elected to the office of Selectman the last 4 yrs. of his res. here. Chn.:

11. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Nov. 17, 1784; res. Swanzey, N. H.

12. ANSON⁶, b. Feb. 26, 1786; d. Aug. 8, 1792.

13. BETSEY⁶, b. March 7, 1788; d. Nov. 5, 1792.

14. EDWARD⁶, b. Dec. 1, 1789.

15. JOSEPH⁶, b. Jan. 28, 1791.

16. ISAAC⁶, b. Oct. 21, 1792.

17. SALLY⁶, b. Feb. 15, 1794.

18. DANIEL⁶, b. Aug. 27, 1795.

19. FLINT, EZEKIEL⁵, bro. of the last, was b. ab. 1769 at Reading. He came to tn. bef. April 14, 1792, when he was pub. to Mary, dau. of Amos Gates, whom he m. July 15. He purchased a part of lot No. 25, 2d Div., and located where S. D. Hobbs now l., residing there till he d., Aug. 2, 1828, a. 59. His wid. survived him many years, passing away June 12, 1863, at the a. of 90. They had no chn., but adopted the 2 daus. of Josiah and Sarah (Seaver) Cutter, Sally and Peggy, after their f. abandoned his fam. The former of these m. Peter Parmenter and set. in Marlboro', where she d.; the latter m. Merrick Divol, who thereby came into possession of the est. of her foster f., as heretofore related.

FORBUSH.

Few names have passed through as great transformations with the advance of time as the one now under notice. It was originally spelled Farrabas, and was prob. of French origin, as its form indicates, though the first man in this country bearing it very likely come from England. This was Daniel Farrabas¹, who was in Camb. in 1660, having m., March 27 of that year, Rebecca Penniman. She bore him several chn. but d. 1677. Two years later, he m. (2) Deborah Rideat of Concord, and rem. to Marlboro', where he d. in 1687. The family soon after changed the form of the name to Farrowbush, subsequently shortened to Forbush, as it now generally appears, although one of the sons of Daniel¹, Jonathan², who settled in Westborough, continued the shortening process and called himself Forbes. Of this branch of the family was Rev. Eli Forbes of Brookfield, as is also Hon. W. T. Forbes, present Judge of the Worcester Co. Probate Court.

One of the sons of Daniel¹ and Deborah (Rideat) Farrabas, was John², who m. Mary Bowker in 1704 and had John³, whose wife was Eunice Houghton, prob. of Lancaster. They settled in Harvard ab. 1736. One of their sons, Samuel⁴, m. Mary, dau. of Manasseh Stow, ab. 1780, and had 6 chn., two of whom became residents of W.

I. FORBUSH, DAVID⁵, s. of Samuel and Mary (Stow) Forbush, was b. Feb. 16, 1786. He came to this town ab. 1812, and m. Dec., 1814, Dolly, dau. of Zachariah and Abigail (Wood) Whit-

man. He erected a dwelling house near the residence of his w's f., in Scrabble Hollow, in connection with his bro., Manasseh S., and the two started a tannery, which they carried on in company for some years. In 1827 he purchased the Penniman property in the center of the town, where a tannery had been established half a century before, and rem. hither, resumed his original occupation, continuing in it until failing health and the infirmities of age obliged him to abandon it.

Mr. Forbush was a high-minded, trustworthy, and much esteemed citizen. He was for some years the Treasurer of the town and served repeatedly on the Board of Selectmen, and in other places of honor and responsibility. He was an active and influential member of the Universalist Society, contributing largely to its good standing and prosperity, and illustrating as well as honoring the larger faith in which he believed, by the purity of his character and the rectitude of his life. He d. July 14, 1844, a. 58. His wid., Dolly, d. May 2, 1862, a. 70. Chn.:

2. JOSEPH WHITMAN⁶, b. Nov. 24, 1815; m. Abbie P. Wears; res. W. and Worc.;
1 chd. [no chn.]

3. ABIGAIL WOOD⁶, b. June 5, 1818; m. Alfred Wyman; res. W. and Worc.;

[2.] FORBUSH, JOSEPH W.⁶, just named, m. May, 1843, Abbie P., dau. of Wonder and Abigail P. (Hazen) Wears, and succeeded to his f.'s est. and occupation. The latter he continued for some years, but finally abandoned it and went into the baking business. About the year 1872 he sold out his entire W. property and rem. to Worc., where he still res. His w., Abbie P., an excellent woman, d. Dec. 11, 1867. Mr. Forbush was an estimable townsman, exemplary in all the relations of life, and much respected and honored by his fellow-citizens of every class. He served as Selectman during three years of the Civil War, and was sent in 1861 as Representative to the General Court. He had 1 chd.:

4. MARY ABBIE⁷, b. Sept. 11, 1847; d. Jan. 28, 1870.

5. FORBUSH, MANASSEH S.⁵, a younger s. of Samuel and Mary (Stow) Forbush, was b. July 24, 1790. Soon after attaining his majority he came to W. and was associated with his bro. David, as already stated, in carrying on a tannery. Some years after the retirement of his bro. from the partnership, he gave up the business and succeeded to the management of the so-called Whitman tavern and the farm connected therewith, most of which subsequently came into his possession. He was a man of influence in the town and held the office of Selectman in 1839 and 1840. He m. Dorcas, dau. of Zachariah and Abigail (Wood) Whitman, June, 1816, and had 6 chn. He d. Nov. 10, 1868, a. 78. His w. d. 2 yrs. before, Nov. 7, 1866, a. 78. Their chn. were:

6. ALBERT⁶, b. April 22, 1817; m. Abbie Barrell; res. W. and Charlestown; 2 chn.

7. ALFRED⁶, b. Oct. 14, 1820; d. Nov. 17, 1824. [1851.]

8. CHARLOTTE⁶, b. Feb. 7, 1823; m. Joseph Pierce; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. June 23,

9. JANE⁶, b. Feb. 8, 1826; d. unm. Jan. 29, 1868, a. 41.
10. F. WHITMAN⁶, b. May 5, 1828; m. Caroline M. Burt; res. Chelsea; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 23, 1885.
11. CHARLES⁶, b. Feb. 25, 1830; unm.; res. W. and Leom.; now lives W.

[6.] FORBUSH, ALBERT⁶, oldest s. of the last, m. Abbie, dau. of Luther and Nancy (Sampson) Barrell, Feb. 27, 1848. He was a chairmaker by trade and carried on the business awhile at the Charles Smith mill, half a mile N. W. of the Scrabble Hollow hotel. In 1869, however, he rem. to the vicinity of Boston, where he has spent most of his subsequent life, doing business in connection with the chair trade in the city. Himself and w. now res. in Charlestown. Chn.:

12. WALDO ALBERT⁷, b. Aug. 12, 1852; a physician in Boston.
13. CHARLOTTE ABBY⁷, b. July 20, 1855; m. Walter A. Glidden; res. Charlestown; d. Dec. 10, 1887.

FORBUSH, JONATHAN E., s. of Jonathan and Betsey (Hayden) Forbush of Grafton, was b. 1789. He studied theology and was ordained to the Christian ministry at Southboro' in 1826, where he was pastor of the Baptist Chh. 5 yrs. He went thence to Billerica, and in 1845 came to W. and assumed charge of the Baptist Chh. here,—a position held by him 3 yrs. He was subsequently employed as missionary by the Tremont Temple Society, Boston, and afterwards preached at So. Danvers and Gay Head. He d. in 1873. He is said to have been "eminently useful" in his profession, and while in this tn. rendered excellent service to good morals and the public welfare by his labors for the temperance reform, as did also his estimable w., who was one of the first Vice-Presidents of the Martha Washington Temp. Society. His dau., Lurinda B., m. Wm. M. Barrett, M. D., of Townsend, Nov. 26, 1846. Mrs. Barrett was in later life one of the promoters of that great movement known as the W. C. T. U., holding a high office in the Mass. organization, and becoming an able and efficient advocate of the cause. She d. a few years since, greatly lamented.

FOSKETT.

The residents of W. distinguished by this name are presumed to be descendants of John of Charlestown, a soldier in the Narragansett war, and the supposed ancestral head of the family in this country, but all efforts to make the connection have proved fruitless. John, the first of the name here, is spoken of in the records of the town of Bolton as John, Jr. As he was in the place in 1755 and became a landholder in 1757, it is reasonable to conclude that he was b. ab. 1733, and that his father, John, sen., was b. not far from 1700. This makes it possible, or probable perhaps, that the latter was grandson of the reputed immigrant, the intervening link being missing. Accepting this as the correct view for want of a well authenticated one, the line of descent would be indicated thus:—John¹, —², John³, John⁴, with whom this registry begins, to wit:

1. FOSKETT, JOHN⁴, s. of John³, first appears upon the active stage of life in Bolton, but the date of his b. is not found in the

records of that town. He came to W. as early as 1755, in which year he was paid for work on the public highway. July 12, 1757, he purchased of Abram Moore, Lancaster, lot No. 120, lying on the west side of Wachusett Lake, on which he and his descendants continually res. until a recent date. A year later, 1758, he was chosen Assessor of the township. In 1759 he was a res. tax payer, and no doubt participated in the organization of the district of W. after the Act of Incorporation was secured. According to the Bolton records, he m. May 28, 1761, Abigail, dau. of Wm. and Sarah (Locke) Jones of Lunenburg, though he seems not to have brought his w. to his new home till ab. 1766, the birth of his first 3 chn. being recorded in the books of the Bolton Town Clerk. He prob. spent most of his time here, improving his lot, building a dwelling house, and making ample preparation for the transference of his family to their future abode. Mr. Foscett shared some public honors later in life, being elected Assessor of the town in 1778, and filling at different dates other places of trust. He d. March 31, 1796. Abigail, his wid., d. May 5, 1807. Their chn. were:

2. JAMES⁵, b. April 11, 1762; m. Sarah Emerson; res. Lyons, N. Y.; had chn.
3. SAMUEL⁵, b. July 10, 1763; m. — Miller; res. Coleraine; 13 chn.
4. JOEL⁵, b. May 10, 1765; m. Lydia Hall; res. W. and No. Adams; 6 chn.
5. STEPHEN⁵, b. May 20, 1767; d. young.
6. LUCY⁵, b. 1769?; d. young.
7. DANIEL⁵, b. June 14, 1772; m. Lucinda Foscett; res. W.
8. BERNICE⁵, b. May 10, 1774.
9. BETHUEL⁵, b. Nov. 15, 1786; d. 1797.

[4.] FOSKETT, JOEL⁵, s. of the last, m. Lydia Hall of Wendall, and res. in tn. ab. 10 yrs., building and occupying the John Ball ho.—the original part of the present dwelling of Joseph Waterhouse. Mr. Foscett left W. for No. Adams, where he res. for the rest of his life. No rec. of the death of himself or wife has come to hand. Their chn., b. in W., are given below. There were 2 others of whom no account has been received.

10. ABEL⁵, b. Oct. 26, 1790; d. March 28, 1793.
11. JOHN⁵, b. Sept. 6, 1793.
12. NABBY⁵, b. May 9, 1795.
13. JOSEPH S.⁵, b. Jan. 8, 1797.

[7.] FOSKETT, DANIEL⁵, bro. of the last, m. his second cousin, Lucinda Foscett of Orange, Feb. 2, 1798. He succeeded to his f.'s est., and was one of the honest, hard-working, economical yeomanry of his time. In mid-life he was converted to the Baptist faith, being, it is said, the first person in town to receive the ordinance of baptism by immersion. His w. and chn. sympathized heartily with him, the whole family being strong and zealous in their belief and support of the tenets and policy of the branch of the Christian chh. designated by the name mentioned. He d. Aug. 17, 1855, a. 83. His wid. d. Oct. 23, 1862, a. 86. Chn.:

14. SIMON⁵, b. Sept. 24, 1799; m. Abigail Converse; res. W.; d. Sept. 6, 1867,
15. ASAPH⁵, b. April 30, 1802; m. Laura Jackson and Mary A. Bancroft; res. Gr.; 1 chd.

16. DANIEL⁶, b. March 28, 1804; m. Lucinda Seaver; res. W.; 6 chn.
17. JOHN⁶, b. Dec. 9, 1806; m. twice; res. W.
18. LYDIA⁶, b. Sept. 7, 1808; d. July 3, 1843, a. 34.
19. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Dec. 31, 1813; m. twice; had 1 s.; is now living in W.
20. JOEL⁶, b. May 21, 1816; m. Elvira Smith; res. W., etc.

[14.] FOSKETT, SIMON⁶, oldest s. of Daniel and Lucinda, m. Abigail, dau. of Elijah and Zeruah Converse of Marlboro', N. H. He was a shoemaker by trade and served his neighbors and fellow-townsmen well by "whipping the cat" in the writer's boyhood days. He was also a tinker and general repairer of household wares, and made himself most useful in this, as well as in his other, calling. He lived in various localities, having no permanent homestead of his own. He d. Sept. 6, 1867, a. 68. His w. d. scarcely a month before, Aug. 8, 1867, a. 62. Chn.:

21. MARIA J.⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1827; m. A. C. White and W. Kent; res. Northboro', etc.; 3 chn.; d. 1888.
22. WILLARD⁷, b. March 16, 1829; m. Adelaide E. Merriam; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 3, 1868.
23. MARY⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1830; m. Werden A. Howe; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. July 26, 1888.
24. JOSEPHINE B.⁷, b. Dec. 4, 1833; d. March 16, 1839.
25. ARVILLA W.⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1836; d. Feb. 15, 1843.
26. ABBIE D.⁷, b. Dec. 6, 1838; m. Charles Brooks; res. Sterling; no chn.; d. June 2, 1861.
27. EMILY H.⁷, b. March 14, 1841; d. Feb. 19, 1843.
28. HARLOW⁷, b. June 2, 1843; m. Harriet E. Walker; res. W.; d. June 11, 1869.
29. JOSIE⁷, b. April 20, 1845; m. Eliot H. Ball; res. Clinton; 4 chn.; living.
30. LEVI⁷, b. Oct. 25, 1847; m. Alma Clark; res. Charlestown; 2 chn.; living.

[16.] FOSKETT, DANIEL⁶, bro. of the last, m. Lucinda, dau. of Asahel and Hannah (Gager) Seaver, Sept. 3, 1830. He purchased, not long after, the old Thomas Conant farm, lot No. 113, the buildings of which were located on the Worc. road, half a mile north of his f.'s residence (see A. H. No. 86), and there he made his home. He d. April 27, 1878, a. 74. Lucinda, his w., d. Nov. 10, 1864, a. 60. Chn.:

31. HARRIET NEWELL⁷, b. April 10, 1833; d. Sept. 11, 1876, a. 43.
32. SARAH ANN JUDSON⁷, b. Oct. 21, 1834; living unm. W.
33. SUSAN MALCOLM⁷, b. Nov. 9, 1836; m. R. B. Cook; res. W.; d. May 9, 1886.
34. JULIA AUGUSTA⁷, b. April 15, 1838.
35. MARY ELIZABETH⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1840; m. Charles H. Brooks.
36. WILLIAM CLARKSON⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1843; m. Evelina A. Merriam; res. W.

[17.] FOSKETT, JOHN⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Caroline, dau. of John and Roxana (Bancroft) Phillips, Gr., pub. Aug. 21, 1830, and res. on the homestead of his f. and gd.f. Advancing age induced him at length to dispose of that property, after which he res. in the Doty ho. in the Central Village, where he was engaged in the occupation of shoemaking for some time before his decease. His first w., Caroline (Phillips), d. Oct. 16, 1847, a. 37, and he m. (2) Jane, dau. of Robert and Ann Wood, March 7, 1849. He was an ardent and influential member of the Baptist Chh., of which he was both deacon and clerk many years, in which latter capacity he proved most efficient as a

chronicler of its doings and experiences. He d. April 23, 1883, a. 76. His w., Jane, d. May 23, 1881, a. 64. He had a large fam., mostly the chn. of his first w., as the rec. shows:

37. GEORGE B.⁷, b. Sept. 1, 1832; m. Mary Hobbs; res. Fg.
38. HENRY B.⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1834; d. April 21, 1834.
39. ROXANA B.⁷, b. Feb. 17, 1836; d. May 13, 1836.
40. DWIGHT S.⁷, b. July 31, 1837; d. Sept. 19, 1837.
41. ELIZA C.⁷, b. July 23, 1839; m. J. H. Lovewell; res. W.
42. ELLEN M.⁷, b. May 2, 1841; m. Melvin Coleman; res. Gr.
43. ALICE L.⁷, b. April 14, 1843; m. Levi Baker; res. W.
44. ABBIE L.⁷, b. Aug. 9, 1845; m. Joseph Quincy; res. W.
45. LUCY ANN⁷, b. Oct. 9, 1847; d. March 16, 1848.
46. CHARLES J.⁷, b. Nov. 14, 1849?; m. Mary Tucker; res. Natick.
47. ANNA J.⁷, b. April 30, 1852; m. B. Frank James; res. Natick.

[20.] FOSKETT, JOEL⁶, youngest s. of Daniel and Lucinda, m. May 13, 1839, Elvira Smith of Fg. He lived for a time in the John Ball house before referred to, and got out chair stock in a small shop erected by himself on a little mountain stream, some fifty rods above his residence, near the road to the Bolton place. He subsequently res. on the Asahel Puffer farm, lying east of W. pond, now occupied by F. A. Taylor. He rem. to central N. Y. some 40 yrs. ago. Chn.:

48. ELBRIDGE⁷, b. unknown; res. Utica, N. Y.
49. GILBERT⁷, b. Sept. 23, 1846; res. Grand Rapids, Mich.
50. ALDEN J.⁷, b. July 2, 1850; res. Fg.
51. WARREN⁷; res. Madison, Iowa.
52. IDA⁷; a teacher at Rome, N. Y.

Abigail Foskett⁶ (19), dau. of Daniel and Lucinda, m. (1) Samuel N. Howe of Holden, March 9, 1849, and had 1 chd., Hubert Nelson, b. Feb. 25, 1855. Her husband d. Feb. 21, 1858, and she m. (2) Jan. 1, 1861, Stoughton W. Knight of McDonough, N. Y., where she res. sev. years. Later in life she returned to W., where she has a home with a niece, Mrs. Abbie L. Quincy, in the Central Village. Her s. d. W. Dec. 8, 1880, greatly lamented.

[28.] FOSKETT, HARLOW⁷, s. of Simon⁶ and Abigail, m. Harriet E., dau. of John and Harriet Walker of Barre, Nov. 11, 1865. He res. in W. and d. June 4, 1869. Chd.:

53. WALLACE H.⁸, b. Sept. 25, 1866.

[36.] FOSKETT, WILLIAM CLARKSON⁷, s. of Daniel⁶ and Lucinda, m. Nov. 15, 1866, Evelina A., dau. of Joel and Elmina (Perkins) Merriam, and res. for a time in Fg., where he was engaged in the manufacture of chairs. About the year 1870 he returned to W., purchasing the original Samuel Hager (Wiswall) place, where he now lives. Chn. b. in W.:

54. WILLIE⁸, b. June 11, 1872; d. June 12, 1872.
55. BLANCHE E.⁸, b. Nov. 7, 1874.
56. LOUIS M.⁸, b. May 24, 1877.
57. WALTER D.⁸, b. Oct. 13, 1879.

1. FOSTER, SAMUEL, from W. Boylston, ptge. unkn., m. Lois Simonds, June, 1813, and set. in town, remaining some 10 or 12 yrs. and then disappearing. He owned half of a house and barn in the No. div., for which he was taxed in 1825. Chn.:

2. MARIA A., b. Oct. 19, 1815.
3. MARY A. M., b. Jan. 30, 1818.
4. SAMUEL B., b. Sept. 17, 1819; d. Sept. 19, 1819.
5. SAMUEL A., b. Oct. 5, 1820.
6. CHARLES R., b. June 29, 1822.

7. FOSTER, JOSIAH, s. of Josiah and Lucinda, Ashby, was b. May 2, 1823. When a lad he came to town to work for Reuben Sawin on the farm at So. W., where his wid. and s. now reside. He proved so faithful and acceptable to his employer that he remained with him through life and succeeded to his estate. May 13, 1849, he m. Julia A., dau. of Asahel R. and Hannah (Gager) Seaver. Enlisting in the service of the republic for the suppression of the Rebellion, he was killed by a shell at the siege of Petersburg, Oct. 2, 1864. (See Chap. XX.) Chn.:

8. LOWELL, b. March 23, 1850; killed by powder mill explosion, Acton, March 12, 1878.

9. HERBERT L., b. April 19, 1852; m. Alice M. French; res. Fg.; 3 chn.

10. EMMA L., b. Nov. 2, 1854; m. Wm. O. Leighton; d. Feb. 15, 1877.

11. JUDSON, b. May 19, 1858; m. Kate M. Urban; res. W.

[9.] FOSTER, HERBERT L., s. of Josiah and Julia, m. Nov. 25, 1873, Alice M., dau. of Erastus S. and Ann M. French, Temp. He lived in W. a few yrs. and then rem. to Fg., where he now resides. He is a millwright by trade. Chn.:

12. FLORENCE M., b. March 18, 1876.

13. EMMA I., b. Aug. 14, 1881.

14. LOWELL J. G., b. Nov. 5, 1883.

[11.] FOSTER, JUDSON, bro. of the last, m. Kate M. Urban, dau. of Martin and Katharine (b. Homburg, Germany), Dec. 31, 1881, and res. on the place owned by his f. He is a man of ability and good standing, and served as an Assessor in 1887 and 1892. Chn.:

15. ADOLPH URBAN, b. June 4, 1884.

16. JUDSON ROSCOE, b. May 19, 1886.

Charles and William Foster, sons of Rev. Edmund Foster of Littleton, and bros. of Mrs. Alexander Dustin, were in town a few years and carried on a mercantile business in the Emerson store on the Common. After leaving here the former went to Charleston, S. C., where he soon d. of yellow fever. The latter set. in Boston, but d. many years since. He had a son, William L., who studied law and was a Judge at Concord, N. H.

FOWLER, JEREMIAH, s. of John and Abigail, was b. in Durham, N. H., Sept. 5, 1822. He came from Camb. in May, 1877, and purchased the Horatio Eager place, half a mile south of the center, where he res. till his decease, Jan. 24, 1889, a. 66. He was a mason by trade and somewhat eccentric in character. Some time after locating here, Dec. 25, 1878, he m. for a second w., Jane H., dau. of John and Hermena Dale, and gd.dau. of Joseph Dale, formerly manager of the iron works at Wachusettville. She was b. Rutland, June 26, 1830, and is still living in town. No chn.

I. FULLER, AZARIAH, ptge., etc., untraced, from Fg., m. Mercy, dau. of Zaccheus and Elizabeth (Lyon) Bemis, in Dec., 1784. They lived in town a few years, and had, according to the records:

2. ASA, b. Jan. 19, 1785.

3. AARON, b. April 12, 1786.

4. FULLER, MILTON, M. D., ancestry, etc., unknown, was a physician in town for some years, during the decade 1820-30. Sept. 19, 1823, he was pub. to Rachel Jacobs of Chelsea. After leaving here he located in Boston, where he built up a large and remunerative practice, and attained a reputable rank in his profession. He d. some half a dozen yrs. since.

1. GAGER, JEREMIAH, lineage, etc., untraced, came from Stamford, Conn., ab. 1770, and m. Ruth, dau. of Daniel and Hannah (Wood) Walker, the following year. He soon after bought of Paul Gibbs the N. W. corner of lot No. 20—7 and one-half a.,—the central part of the present town cemetery, where he built a house, the cellar of which may still be recognized. (See A. H. No. 63.) After residing there a few years he sold out and went to live on the place originally occupied by the f. of his w., Daniel Walker, where his gd.s., Isaac Seaver, recently res. According to the *Mass. Spy* he was Dep. Sheriff in 1778. He was also a soldier in the Rev. He d. in 1805, a. unknown. His w., Ruth (Walker) Gager, is said to have been a woman of great power of physical endurance, and of much force of personal character. She was a noted trout catcher, and stories of her success as such are told in the neighborhood to this day. She d. Oct. 3, 1805, a. 55. Chn.:

2. HANNAH, b. Oct. 21, 1779; m. Asahel R. Seaver; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. Mar. 5, 1853.
3. REBECCA, b. Sept. 9, 1781; m. Jeremiah Wood; res. Gr. and Stg.; sev. chn.

GARFIELD.

Edward Garfield¹ was an early resident of Watertown, coming there soon after its settlement and remaining through life. He d. June 14, 1672, at the great age of 97. His s. Edward² was made a freeman in 1635, and located in that part of the town afterwards set off to form Waltham, with which place the family for several generations was largely identified. Another s. of the first Edward¹ was named Samuel², of whom no extended record is extant. Capt. Benjamin Garfield³, a notable citizen of Watertown in his day, was the s. of one of these, presumably of the former, though the authorities differ on that point. He had a s. Samuel⁴, who m. Mary, dau. of Nathaniel, and niece of Joseph, Bowman, an early proprietor and resident of Nar. No. 2. Of this union came

1. GARFIELD, BENJAMIN⁵, b. Waltham, March 6, 1715-16. He m. Abigail, dau. of George and Hepzibah (Fiske) Herrington and sr. of Seth Herrington, soon after arriving at his majority, and came to this place in 1740 or 1741, having purchased lot No. 74, the Dike place, near Sch. Ho. No. 3, Nov. 8, the former year. Prob. he did not locate there, inasmuch as he sold the lot a few months later to Samuel Smith, who was paid a bounty for clearing, building, and settling upon it. In Jan., 1741-2, he bought lot No. 58, the Graves (now Geo. M. Davis) place, of Fairbanks Moor, and there made for himself a home. Two years afterward he conveyed the farm to Richard Graves, and located upon the adjoining lot, No. 57, of which he was the owner (see A. H. No. 80), where he also seems to have erected

a dwelling house. He was not long in town, however. He sold in Feb., 1744-5, to Wm. Baldwin, as elsewhere narrated, and left for parts unknown. He was evidently somewhat of an adventurer and speculator, and was prob. here simply to serve his own temporary personal interests. Three chn. only are reported, though there were very likely others of a later date.

2. MARY⁶; bap. Jan. 17, 1739.

3. BENJAMIN⁶; bap. April 23, 1740.

4. ELIJAH⁶; bap. July 5, 1741.

5. GARFIELD, SOLOMON⁶, was s. of Thomas⁵ of Lincoln, b. in 1743. Thomas⁵ was s. of Thomas⁴, and gd.s. of the distinguished Capt. Benjamin³ of Waltham, spoken of above. Hence it appears that Thomas⁵, the f. of Solomon⁶, was cousin of Benjamin⁵, just described. He, the former, was an O. P. of Nar. No. 2, and in the first division of lots drew No. 110, on which the Messrs. Hurd now res. This property he conveyed, in 1773, by proper title deeds to his s. Solomon⁶, who had already been upon it for several yrs. That son m. May 29, 1766, Sarah Stimson of Sudbury. They came to W. not long afterward, and here their chn.,



named below, were b. If they had others, the record of them has not been found. In 1781 Mr. Garfield sold his farm to Caleb Parker, Reading, but remained in town until 1788 or '89, when he rem. to Cherry Valley, N. Y. The family, no doubt, was greatly burdened by the poverty of the times, on account of which an entire abatement of taxes was voted by the town at different dates, while in 1786 the privilege of paying them in shingles was granted, as the records show. Mr. and Mrs. Garfield were the gt.-gd.pts. of Jas. A. Garfield, the widely-lamented martyr President of the U. S., through their s. Thomas⁷, the f. of Abram⁸, who m. Eliza Ballou, of which union Jas. A.⁹ was b. Nov. 19, 1831. There is no reason for doubting that Mr. Garfield was a man of worthy character, and a useful and respected citizen, but the representations that have been made in sundry publications concerning his prominence in public affairs, and his elevation to important positions of responsibility, trust, and honor by the suffrages of his fellow-townsmen, chiefly in connection with the story

of the career of his illustrious descendant, are purely apocryphal and without any warrant whatever in the records. Through the kindness of the Am. Antiquarian Soc., Worc., a cut of the Garfield dwelling house, as it has appeared in recent years, is herewith presented. Chn. of Solomon and Mary, b. in W., were:

6. REBECCA⁷, b. June 2, 1770.
7. THOMAS⁷, b. March 19, 1773; grandfather of the President.
8. SOLOMON⁷, b. June 23, 1779.
9. HANNAH⁷, b. June 2, 1781.
10. LUCY⁷, b. Feb. 19, 1785.

II. GARFIELD, SAMUEL, a distant relative of the preceding, and a native of Waltham, m. (1) Eunice, dau. of Samuel and Phebe (Keyes) Mosman, March 18, 1810. After res. in Waltham and W. Boylston ab. 5 yrs., he came to W. and set. on or near the May place, in the north part of the town. He subsequently lived on the late Israel Dickinson farm, and elsewhere in these borders. His w., Eunice, d. March 31, 1829, a. 50, and he m. (2) May 8, 1831, wid. Ruth (Puffer) Darby Byam, residing a few years at her house, where George Harris now lives. He d. May 16, 1848, a. 68., and his second w., Ruth (Puffer), d. April 15, 1834, a. 58. Chn.:

12. MARTHA K., b. Nov. 21, 1810; m. Stephen Bathrick; res. W.; no chn.; d. Nov. 29, 1873.
13. MOSES, b. at unkn. date; m., had 4 chn., and d. Saxonville, 1862.
14. SAMUEL, b. at unkn. date; m., had 3 chn., and d. California, 1887.
15. EUNICE, b. Dec. 5, 1814; m. George Smith; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 3, 1864.
16. JANE, b. Sept. 24, 1816; m. three times; 4 chn.; now living Lunenburg
17. MARY, b. March 8, 1818; m. Amos Pond; 5 chn.; d. Greenfield, 1885.
18. ASAPH, b. April 17, 1820; m. Phebe Smith; 2 chn.; d. Waltham, 1886.

I. GATELY, MARTIN, one of the early Celtic settlers in W., a native of the Emerald Isle, b. 1813, was here with his w., Mary, ab. the year 1844, and after res. elsewhere awhile, finally located on the Beard place, near the Gr. line. He appears to have d. Sept. 2, 1882, a. 69. The names of only 4 chn. are found in the records, though it is understood there were others not reported to the Town Clerk. Those at hand are:

2. MARTHA M., b. July 25, 1845.
3. OLIVER J., b. Oct. 14, 1849.
4. THOMAS H., b. Dec. 8, 1853.
5. MARTIN, b. Jan. 8, 1856.

[3.] GATELY, OLIVER J., s. of the last, by his w., Jane —, had:

6. NELLIE A., b. May 14, 1878.
7. JOHN J., b. July 21, 1879.
8. Unnamed, b. May 5, 1881.

[4.] GATELY, THOMAS H., bro. of the last, m. Mary E. Sweeney, and had:

9. MARY JANE, b. Sept. 20, 1883.
10. SADIE G., b. March 20, 1889.

[5.] GATELY, MARTIN, another bro., m. Julia Whealen, and had:

11. FRED J., b. Dec. 20, 1881.
12. MARY A., b. June 2, 1883.
13. WALTER H., b. Jan. 20, 1887.

14. GATELY, PATRICK, perhaps bro. of Martin (1), and his w., Bridget, were in tn. quite early, and are credited with 3 dau.:

15. CATHARINE, b. Nov. 21, 1852.

16. MARY, b. Oct. 17, 1854.

17. MARGARETTE, b. Oct. 7, 1859.

GATES.

Stephen — sometimes spelled Steeven — Gates¹, the immigrant ancestor of this family in N. E., was son of Thomas of Norwich in the mother country. In 1638 he with his wife, two sons, Stephen² and Simon², and dau., Elizabeth², come over in the *Diligent* and settled in Hingham. Another son, Thomas², was b. after reaching these shores. From Hingham Stephen¹, the elder, moved first to Camb. and thence to Lancaster, where he was made freeman in 1753, and with others petitioned for the incorporation of the town in 1754. He started out zealously in the work of the new settlement, but being of an impulsive, or perhaps irascible, temperament, soon got into trouble with his fellow-incorporators and finally left them, in disgust and indignation, going back to Camb., where he d. in 1662. In his will, still extant, he signs his name Steffene Gates.

His s. Stephen², upon becoming of age, set. in Boston, but in 1673 bought 300 acres of land on the Elisabeth (Assabet) river in Stow, and was among the first proprietors of the town. Thomas Gates², another s. of the first Stephen, located awhile in Sudbury, then in Marlboro', but finally established himself permanently near his brother in Stow. Both of these had large families whence have sprung a great multitude scattered far and wide through the land. From one of the Stow settlers the Gateses of W., Gr., and vicinity no doubt descended, but a careful search of the records there and elsewhere failed to make sure the connecting links. Some authorities state that Stephen² had a son Simon³, the father of an Amos⁴, b. ab. 1700. This Amos⁴ may have had a s. by the same name, who was the first Gates in this town, it being a matter of record that the earliest of the family here was so related, as shown below. On this supposition, the lineage given is based.

1. GATES, AMOS⁵, according to the Stow records, was s. of Amos⁴ and Nancy, b. April 15, 1735. On the 14th of Sept., 1758, he purchased lot No. 20, 2d Div., the old town farm on Beech Hill, though he does not appear to have occupied it for some years afterward. He was here, however, in 1763, his name appearing in the list of resident tax payers at that date. He was, no doubt, the first occupant of the lot named, though he had no family at the time. In 1765 he sold to James Ross, Jr., of Lanc., and lived for a time on the Josiah Jackson, now J. Brown, place, on the Winchendon road, prob. the first resident there. In 1772, Dec. 24, he bought lot No. 24, on which Leonard M. Gates, his kinsman, now lives, and there the remainder of his days was spent. In 1771 he m. Elizabeth Laws of Littleton, by whom he had 3 daus. He d. in 1804, a. 69. His wid. d. April 18, 1825, a. 75 (?). Chn.:

2. MARY⁶, b. Aug. 26, 1772; m. Ezekiel Flint; res. W.; no chn.; d. June 12, 1863.

3. OLIVE⁶, b. July 24, 1774; m. Ephraim Sampson; res. Ash.; sev. chn.

4. LOICE⁶ (Lois), b. April 4, 1789; m. Ezra Simonds; res. Hub.

5. GATES, SIMON⁵, presumably bro. of Amos⁵, b. ab. 1740, m. Susannah Reed of Stow, and had 1 chd. before coming to W. He bought, Sept. 4, 1765, lot No. 26, 2d Div., situated just

over the line in Gr., and recently occupied by his gd.s., Horace Gates, but did not locate upon it before 1768. When Gr. was incorporated he was assigned to the new town at his own request, "because," he said, "he was most needed there," though another version of the story is that he was promised a deaconship,—a promise, however, which was never kept, and one, perhaps, "more honored in the breach than in the observance." He was the ancestor of most of those who have ever borne the name of Gates in W., Gr., and vicinity. He d. March 11, 1803, a. 63. His wid., Susannah, d. Dec. 18, 1833, a. 88. Chn.:

6. NATHAN⁶, b. 1767; m. Abigail Knowlton; res. Gr. and elsewhere; 15 chn.
7. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Sept. 14, 1769; d. Jan. 21, 1791.
8. SUSANNAH⁶, b. May 19, 1772; d. Sept. 13, 1778.
9. SIMON⁶, b. Nov. 7, 1774; d. Sept. 10, 1778.
10. ANNA⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1777; d. Sept. 17, 1778.
11. SIMON⁶, b. July 28, 1779; m. twice; res. Gr.; 7 chn.
12. DANIEL⁶, b. July 23, 1782; m. Phebe Mosman; res. Gr. and W.; 7 chn.
13. GERRY⁶?, b. 1784; d. young.
14. REUBEN⁶, b. April 21, 1786; m. Anna Mosman; res. Gr.; 8 chn.
15. EZEKIEL⁶, b. Oct. 31, 1789; d. Aug. 2, 1809.
16. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Jan., 1791; d. Jan. 21, 1791.
17. ELIZABETH⁶; d. unkm.

[12.] GATES, DANIEL⁶, s. of the last, m. Phebe, dau. of Samuel and Phebe (Keyes) Mosman, May 27, 1805, and set. for a time in Gr. Later he rem. to this town and located on the David Child place, now owned by Hugh Carey, where he d. Sept. 17, 1847, a. 65. His wid., Phebe, d. Aug. 1, 1850, a. 65. Chn.:

18. DANIEL M.⁷, b. April 22, 1806; m. Arvilla Lawrence; res. Northboro'; d. Oct. 13, 1861.
19. SOPHRONIA⁷, b. April 18, 1808; m. John Stickney; res. W. and Fg.
20. LEONARD M.⁷, b. July 28, 1810; m. twice; res. W.
21. LUCY⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1813; m. George Smith.
22. PHEBE D.⁷, b. Aug. 26, 1815; m. Gamaliel S. Beaman; res. W.
23. CHARLOTTE⁷, b. Aug. 11, 1818; m. Stillman Sawyer; res. W.; d. Aug. 30, 1842.
24. SOLOMON K.⁷, b. May 16, 1821; m. and had chn.; d. Jan. 2, 1891.

[20.] GATES, LEONARD M.⁷, s. of Daniel and Phebe, m. (1) Martha J., dau. of Amasa and Martha (Seaver) Leland, Gr., Dec. 24, 1837. She d. Jan. 2, 1852. He m. (2) Eliza Ann Peabody of Nashua, N. H., Oct. 26, 1854. Both are still living. Chn.:

25. EUGENE⁸, b. Jan. 2, 1839; m. Helen Ray; res. W.
26. LEONARD⁸, b. Oct. 30, 1846; went to Iowa.
27. J. ELDORA⁸, b. March 8, 1856; m. Cecil Whitney; res. Fg.
28. LOTTIE M.⁸, b. Dec. 27, 1860.
29. MARY E.⁸, b. Jan. 3, 1864; m. Chauncy L. Smith.

[25.] GATES, EUGENE⁸, s. of Leonard M. and Martha J., m. Helen, dau. of Anson and Emily (Jackson) Ray, Sept. 2, 1862. He is a farmer and res. on the former Caleb Wetherbee place, near Beech Hill Sch. Ho. He was in the service during the war of the Rebellion. (See Chap. XX.) Chn.:

30. LUELLA F.⁹, b. Sept. 18, 1864; m. George A. Sargent.
31. ALBERT E.⁹, b. Jan. 9, 1871.

32. GATES, ASAPH⁷, s. of Nathan⁶ (6) and Abigail (Knowlton) Gates of Gr., and gd.s. of Simon⁵, was b. Dec. 7, 1794. He m. (1) Rachel Ray, Sept. 13, 1816, and had 4 chn. She d. July 25, 1853, and he m. (2) Alice, wid. of Moses Mosman, and dau. of Wm. Rider, Fg., Sept. 30, 1859. He lived on the Winch. road, half a mile N. W. of the village. He d. June 25, 1877, a. 82. His wid., Alice, d. Jan. 18, 1883, a. 88. Chn., all by 1st w.:

33. EDWIN⁸, b. Dec. 16, 1816; d. Dec. 27, 1839.

34. HEMAN⁸, b. Feb. 8, 1820.

35. CYNTHIA⁸, b. Oct. 28, 1823; m. Marcus L. Wright; res. Gr.

36. HARRIET⁸, b. April 2, 1834; m. Ezra Osgood; res. Gr.

37. GATES, JEREMIAH KNOWLTON⁷, bro. of the last, was b. Gr., Sept. 28, 1808. He m. Sally Spalding, Dec. 25 (?), 1834, and set. in W., where he d. June 22, 1845. His wid. m. (2) Lyman Wilson, Leom. Chn.:

38. SALLY A.⁸, b. May 26, 1837; d. May 28, 1837.

39. EMORY K.⁸, b. July 13, 1838; d. July 27, 1838.

40. PARKER K.⁸, b. Nov. 9, 1841; d. Jan. 30, 1859.

41. GATES, JAMES ELLIOT⁷, bro. of the last, b. Gr., June 11, 1810, m. Sept. 24, 1835, Ann Maria, dau. of Josiah and Nancy (Bolton) Jackson, and res. on what is now Elliot St., near Bacon St. He d. July 3, 1875, a. 65, leaving 5 chn.:

42. LUCY ANN⁸, b. Sept. 13, 1836; m. Luman E. Carter; res. W.; d. April 25, 1886.

43. LUCINDA⁸, b. Jan. 18, 1838; m. George R. Walcott; res. Somerville; 1 chd.

44. MARIA⁸, b. Dec. 17, 1839; m. George E. Rice; res. W.; no chn.

45. EMORY⁸, b. April 5, 1842; m. twice; res. W.

46. MASON⁸, b. May 11, 1848; d. Oct. 8, 1867.

[45.] GATES, EMORY⁸, s. of the last, m. (1) Amelia, dau. of Robert and Susan (Howe) Huff of Cooper, Me., Sept. 14, 1867. She d. Jan. 18, 1883, and he m. (2) Hezzie, dau. of John and Mary (Crabtree) Butterfield, Danforth, Me., April 24, 1886. He is a chairmaker. Chn.:

47. MASON E.⁹, b. April 22, 1868; m. Ella L. Holden; res. Boston.

48. HENRY W.⁹, b. May 15, 1871; d. Nov. 19, 1889.

49. EDGAR F.⁹, b. March 16, 1873.

50. JOHN E.⁹, b. May 17, 1887.

51. HAROLD B.⁹, b. Nov. 24, 1888.

52. CLAUDE L.⁹, b. Sept. 11, 1892.

53. GATES, PHINEAS, s. of Phineas and Sarah of Stow, b. at unkn. date, came into town in the latter part of the last century, and purchasing lands of his bro.-in-law, Asa Farnsworth, built a house near where Samuel H. Sprague now lives, and started a tannery on the intervale below. His w. was Sally —, who, after his d. in 1803, m. Mr. Farnsworth. She d. prob. in 1830, leaving a will dated Aug. 12, of that year. Chn., as far as found:

54. WINSLOW, b. Nov. 22, 1791.

55. RACHAEL, b. unknown date.

[54.] GATES, WINSLOW, just named, m. and had a family. He res. in the Narrows neighborhood awhile, and at the S. W. part of the town. Name of w. unkn. Chn.:

56. PHINEAS.

57. WILLIAM H.

58. HARRIET.

59. GATES, SAMUEL, s. of Jonathan of Gr., distantly related to those above, was b. Dec. 18, 1790. He set. on the Taft place, now Fred. Graham's, in west part of the town. Was never m. Died Aug. 11, 1866.

1. GAUT, THOMAS, from Dedham, a native of Halifax, Plymouth Co., b. May 17, 1790, lineage unkn., came to W. ab. 1810, and served as apprentice to Jesse Warren, the village blacksmith. Having acquired the trade, he bought out his employer Feb. 11, 1812, and continued the business while he lived. His purchase included the recent dwelling house of Josiah Page and land adjoining, westward as far as the store of Geo. W. Bruce, near the site of which the shop stood, as the older inhabitants can remember. He m. the same year Lucy, dau. of Levi and Rebecca (Wood) Graves, who bore him 7 chn. He d. July 25, 1830, a. 40. His w. survived him in respected widowhood more than half a century, dying Oct. 1, 1885, a. 92. Chn.:

2. CAROLINE, b. March 8, 1813; m. S. M. Humes; res. Greenfield; 1 chd.; d. Oct. 2, 1846.
3. JULIA ANN, b. Dec. 12, 1814; d. June 24, 1815.
4. LUCY ANN, b. Aug. 17, 1816; d. June 17, 1817.
5. J. RUSSELL, b. Aug. 8, 1817; m. Ellen Greenleaf; res. W. and Phila.
6. THOMAS W., b. Aug. 20, 1819; d. Oct. 19, 1820.
7. HARRIET, b. June 9, 1822; living unm. W.
8. LUCY ANN, b. June 28, 1826; d. Dec. 23, 1845.

[5] GAUT, JOSEPH RUSSELL, s. of the last, was of studious tastes and ambitious for self improvement, fitting for college at W. Academy and grad. at Amherst in the class of 1842. After 5 yrs.' experience in teaching elsewhere, he came back to his native place and took charge of the Academy, as successor of A. Holden Merriam,—a position held by him for 6 yrs., the duties of which were performed with conscientious fidelity and zeal. He subsequently rem. to Philadelphia and engaged in the book trade, dying there April 6, 1875, a. 57. He m. Ellen Greenleaf of Brattleboro', Vt., who d. June 17, 1887. They had 2 chn.:

9. GEORGE ABBOT, b. W., Aug. 20, 1850.
10. FREDDIE, b. Phila., date unknown; dec'd.

GERRISH.

Capt. William Gerrish¹, came from Bristol, Eng., ab. 1640, and set. in Newbury, where several generations of descendants succeeded him and whence sprang in due time Samuel of W., whose lineage, however, has not been traced with absolute certainty. Capt. Wm. had a s. Moses², b. 1656, the father of Joseph³, b. in 1682. This Joseph³ was prob. the father of Moses⁴, Enoch⁴, and Samuel⁴, who severally located in Lancaster before the breaking out of the Revolution. The first of these was so pronounced and violent a royalist that he was obliged to leave the colony, going first to the British Provinces, but finally settling on an island near Grand Menan, giving it his own name, which it bears to this day. His bro. Enoch⁴ also expatriated himself for the same reason, but his subsequent history is unknown.

1. GERRISH, SAMUEL⁴, sup. s. of Joseph³ of Newbury, was b. ab. 1740, and, as stated, lived for a time in Lanc. He m. (1) Abigail Moor of that town, Dec. 26, 1771, and seems to have gone back to Newbury for a season, his first child having been b. there. But he soon returned to Lanc., being a resident of that town in May, 1777, when he bought of Dr. Harvey the greater part of lot No. 4 in this place, bounding on Main St., from Bacon St. to Dr. Bartlett's (Estey's), in the central village. On that lot he soon located, opening a store and building up a considerable trade in this and surrounding towns. He was a man of ability, character, and education, and grew rapidly in the esteem and confidence of the public. Two yrs. after coming here he was chosen Assessor, and in 1781 was elected Town Clerk, to fill the vacancy caused by the absence in the army of the previously elected incumbent, Michael Gill. He was also Selectman at the same time. His w., Abigail, d. June 11, 1782, a. 35. Ten yrs. later he m. Ruth, wid. of John Woodward, who had d. in the army, and, selling his estate to Nathan Whitney, res. thereafter in her former home, at the corner of Main St. and the Hub. road—the house occupying the site where now stands the residence of Francis Nichols. Mr. Gerrish in his earlier life was connected with the militia, and bore the title of Lieut. He was the largest man, physically, that ever lived in W., weighing 360 lbs. at the time of his decease, Feb. 6, 1797. He was 56 yrs. of a. His second w., Ruth, d. Jan. 8, 1822, a. 78. Chn.:

2. POLLY⁵, b. Newbury, April 24, 1772; m. Edward Kendall; d. Oct. 31, 1844.

3. BETSEY⁵, b. Lanc.², date unknown; m. Benjamin Barrett; res. Royalston, etc.;
11 chn.

4. SAMUEL⁵, b. W., Dec. 28, 1779; d. April 15, 1783.

GIBBS.

The early families of this name in W. descended from Matthew Gibbs¹, the immigrant ancestor who appeared in Charlestown in 1654, but who located in that part of Sudbury set off to Framingham, the following year. He had a son Matthew², from whom sprung two families resident in W.

1. GIBBS, SAMUEL³, s. of Matthew², was b. in Fram. March 1, 1685. He m., says Barry (Hist. of Fram.), Lydia Bellows of Marlboro', Aug. 26, 1724, by whom he appears to have had in that town at least 2 chn. Ab. 1730 he rem. to Lanc., where he res. for many years. His w. d. at an unkn. date, but prob. before his removal, and he m. (2) Lydia, sr. of Fairbanks Moor of Lanc. In May, 1748, Mr. Gibbs came here and bought lot No. 20, which included the easterly portion of the central cemetery and a much larger tract of land lying S. W. of the same, and, having erected buildings upon it, took up his residence there. The house, whose site may be still recognized, near the burial place of the family of Geo. Smith, was finally destroyed by fire. (See A. H. No. 62.) In the following year he pur-

chased lot No. 2, bounding S. W. on the old Common, of which his s., Elijah⁴, was subsequently the owner and occupant. Mr. Gibbs d. Jan. 19, 1758, a. 72. Second wife's d. unascertained. The following table represents all that is known of his chn.:

2. SAMUEL⁴, b. Sudbury, June 13, 1725; prob. d. young.
3. JOHN⁴; mentioned in records 1752 and 1772.
4. ELIJAH⁴, b. Lanc., April 18, 1732; m. twice and had chn.; res. W.
5. AMASA⁴, b. Lanc., March 18, 1734; prob. d. young.
6. PAUL⁴, b. Lanc., Jan. 19, 1736; m. Eunice Brocklebank.
7. MARY⁴, b. Lanc., Oct. 8, 1739; d. May 30, 1759.

[4.] GIBBS, ELIJAH⁴, s. of the last, located first on lot No. 2, as indicated above. He had land cleared there in 1751, before he was of age, and a house built in 1762, when he sold to Joseph Holden, Jr. The house stood towards the N. E. extremity of the estate. (See A. H. No. 39.) There are no proofs, however, that he had a family until ab. 1760, when he m. Abigail, wid. of Henry Stevens, who d. 1758, and of whose will he was executor. After disposing of lot No. 2 he res. a few years on the Stevens homestead, lot No. 112, at the upper part of Wachusettville, owning principally and running the sawmill in connection with the farm. He subsequently purchased lot No. 43, and prob. spent his last years there. (See A. H. No. 38.) His w., Abigail, d. ab. 1768, and he m. (2) Mary, dau. of Samuel and Abigail Whitney (pub. Oct. 24), 1769. He d. in 1774, and his wid. m. (2) Edward Scott, Fg., Oct. 22, 1781. Chn., of whom little is known:

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| 8. SAMUEL ⁵ , b. Sept. 28, 1761; | } twins; } prob. went to Dummerston, Vt. |
| 9. EDMUND ⁵ , b. Sept. 28, 1761; | |
| 10. ELIJAH ⁵ , b. Nov. 10, 1764. | 11. AMASA ⁵ , b. 1766?; d. Aug. 6, 1771. |
| 12. MARY ⁵ , b. May 6, 1768. | 13. SUSANNAH ⁵ , b. July 9, 1770. |

[6.] GIBBS, PAUL⁴, bro. of the last, was pub. to Eunice Brocklebank, June 23, 1771. He seems to have come into possession of his f.'s estate after the latter's death, and to have occupied it (perhaps jointly with his bro. John), but dividing it into three lots in 1772, and selling, respectively, to Jeremiah Gager, Nathaniel Brown, and Capt. Wm. Edgell. He then left the place and his name disappears from both the town and county records. He was prob. f. of Paul, named below, of a dau., who was burned to death, and of Elizabeth, who d. Feb. 17, 1823.

14. GIBBS, PAUL⁵, untraced, but prob. s. of the last named, lived and d. in Whately, whither his f. may have moved from W. What renders this supposition credible is the fact that the family of Paul Gibbs of Whately became a town charge in 1817, and that, subsequently to that date, his wid. and chn. were brought here at the public expense and supported, wholly or in part, by the tn. The name of the mother has not been found; those of the chn. appear below:

15. DENNY⁶, b. Whately, Dec. 25, 1810.
16. AMASA⁶, b. Whately, Oct. 20, 1815; res. Hub. [5 chn.; dec'd.
17. MEHITABLE⁶, b. Whately, Aug. 27, 1818; m. Joshua A. Whitney; res. Gr.;
18. LYDIA ANN⁶, b. May 20, 1822; prob. d. town farm, May 14, 1844.

19. GIBBS, JOSEPH⁴, s. of Joseph³ of Sudbury, who was bro. of Samuel³, mentioned above, was bap. Sept. 13, 1719. He was in the place some years before his uncle came, having as early as 1742 signed a petition to the Gen. Ct., as a resident proprietor. He located on lot No. 102, in the east part of the township. His house was near the original proprietors' road to Lanc., on the highlands, half a mile east of the present highway. Some traces of the site, it is said, are still to be seen, and a Gibbs pasture in the vicinity perpetuates the original owner's name. (See A. H. No. 87.) He was an intermittent inhabitant of the place, being reported absent in 1751. He hailed from Nar. No. 2 in 1757, when he enlisted in Capt. Benjamin Ballard's Co., for service in the F. and I. War. His homestead passed into the hands of his bro., Clark Gibbs, who sold it to Timothy Hoar of Concord, f. of the Timothy who afterwards occupied it. About 1760 Mr. Gibbs and his family moved to Pn., where he eventually d., May 12, 1774. His w., whose name was Hannah (Howe), d. 2 yrs. before, May 22, 1772. Of his chn. little is known, their birth-places and dates not being definitely determined, except in the case of the three youngest, natives of Pn. Very likely most, if not all the others were b. in this town. What has been learned of the family is thus tabulated:

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| 19. DANIEL ⁵ , b. Aug. 1, 1751; m. Lydia Woods; res. Ash. and Peterboro', N. H.;
5 chn.; d. Sept. 25, 1824. | 20. ELISHA ⁵ . |
| 21. JOSEPH ⁵ , b. Oct. 12, 1756; m. wid. Abigail Richards and Betty Laws, W.; res.
Ash.; 13 chn.; d. March 19, 1829. | |
| 22. HANNAH ⁵ ; d. infancy. | 23. MOLLY ⁵ ; m. Joseph Bennett |
| 25. HANNAH ⁵ , b. Pn., Nov. 23, 1763; m. Daniel Goodnow, Nov. 25, 1784. | 24. ASA ⁵ . |
| 26. MARY ⁵ , b. Pn., Nov. 2, 1767. | |
| 27. BENJAMIN ⁵ , b. Pn., May 13, 1772; d. Aug. 12, 1773. | |

28. GIBBS, GEORGE W., untraced, but a descendant, no doubt, of Matthew¹ of Sudbury, was s. of Phineas and Elizabeth (Knowlton) Gibbs, b. Hopkinton, Oct. 19, 1806. He was bred a carpenter in Milford, m. Catharine, dau. of Phineas and Margaret (Pond) Winch of Fg., and set. first in Upton, going thence to Winchendon, and coming to W. ab. 1842. He l. for a time on the John Hoar place at the west end of the village, but later bought the Rev. Mr. Mann house on the Common, where he spent nearly forty of the last years of his life. He was engaged at his trade and in kindred occupations while able to labor, and for nearly 20 yrs. was the principal undertaker in town. He d. Nov. 20, 1886, a. 80. His w. d. Sept. 15, 1864, a. 55. Chn.:

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| 29. SARAH E., b. Oct. 6, 1828; m. Merrill Wheeler; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Feb.
22, 1867. |
| 30. AMANDA E., b. May 27, 1830; m. Calvin H. Upham; res. Ripon, Wis.; 4
chn.; living. |
| 31. WARREN P., b. Oct. 28, 1832; m. Mary L. Bates; res. Athol; 4 chn.; d. Aug.
28, 1887. |
| 32. BENJAMIN F. D., b. Jan. 15, 1835; m. Abbie R. Whitcomb; res. W.; 4 chn.;
killed June 6, 1865. |
| 33. MARY M., b. Sept. 18, 1837; d. W., July 11, 1842. |

34. JANE M., b. Oct. 12, 1839; d. July 21, 1842.
35. WILLIAM L., b. Nov. 16, 1840; d. July 16, 1842.
36. CATHARINE M., b. Dec. 22, 1842; m. Charles E. Griswold; res. W.; no chn.; living.
37. GEORGE W., b. Oct. 12, 1844; m. Lydia A. Cutting; res. Shawano, Wis.; 3 chn.; living.
38. LUCY E., b. Feb. 5, 1846; d. Oct. 24, 1846. [29, 1884.]
39. FREDERIC R., b. Oct. 9, 1848; m. Edith E. Fowler; res. W.; no chn.; d. Feb.
40. HATTIE A., b. June 6, 1850; m. Parmenus A. Stone; res. Lansing, Mich.; 1 chd.; living.
41. MARTHA E., b. March 14, 1853; d. unm. March 10, 1883.

1. GILES, CHARLES G., s. of Samuel and Hannah (Foster) Giles of New Salem, was b. May 30, 1818. The f. of Samuel was John, a descendant, no doubt, of the early settler of the same name in old Salem, though the connecting links have not been found. Mr. Giles came to W. when a young man and engaged as clerk in the store of Oliver Estey, where he remained many years. In 1853 he went to Fg. as Asst. P. M. under John Todd, Esq., who had been appointed to that position by Pres. Pierce. After a few years he returned to W. and went into trade at the Whitman store, where F. A. Merriam now is, in company with Nathaniel Eames, whom he afterwards bought out, continuing for a time by himself, or until failing health obliged him to retire to a more quiet life. He was a man of unobtrusive manners, but of substantial worth, much respected and trusted by his fellow-citizens of every class. For 5 yrs. he served the town on the Board of Assessors, and for 3 yrs. was one of the Selectmen. His sympathies were with the Democratic party in politics, and he received some tokens of favor in that behalf by sundry nominations to office. In religion he was an earnest Universalist and Deacon of the chh. During the latter part of his life he was a great sufferer from chronic rheumatism, which incapacitated him for labor much of the time and hastened, no doubt, his death. But he bore his pains patiently and without complaint. He m. (1) Achsah M., dau. of Oliver and Lucy (Whitney) Estey, May 13, 1847, by whom he had 4 chn. She d. Feb. 15, 1869, a. 44, and he m. (2) her sr, Lucy E., May 13, 1872, who is still living. He passed away suddenly Dec. 3, 1887, a. 69. Chn.:

2. MARY E., b. Jan. 20, 1850; d. Oct. 10, 1867.
3. LUCY E., b. Dec. 1, 1853; d. Aug. 19, 1870.
4. ABBIE M., b. Nov. 14, 1857; d. July 23, 1867.
5. CHARLES F., b. Sept. 7, 1860; res. in W.

GILL.

Lieut. Michael Gill¹, a native of Dover, Eng., came to this country in the latter part of the 17th century and settled in Charlestown. In 1696 he m. Relief Dowse, and had a large family of chn., among whom was Elizabeth², who became the wife of Ezekiel Cheever, the famous schoolmaster of his time, and also John³, b. June 14, 1704, who m. Elizabeth Abbot in Dec., 1727. This John² d. bef. 1737, in which year his wid. became the second wife of Michael Brigden, of whom mention has already been made. John² and

Elizabeth Gill had 5 chn., one of them, Moses⁸, being Lieut. Gov. from 1794 to 1800, and acting Gov. for a few months meanwhile. He owned large landed estates in Pn., and was a *quasi* resident there. John² and Elizabeth had also John³, b. May 17, 1732, who m. Ann Kneeland, dau. of Samuel Kneeland, often spoken of in connection with the early doings of Nar. No. 2. This John³ was one of the historic printing firm of "Edes and Gill," Boston. He had a large family, one of whom, Moses⁴, was made the heir of his uncle, the Gov., who had no chn. John² and Elizabeth had another son, Michael⁵, known as Col. Michael, whose wife's name has not been learned. He was the father of John⁶ of Pn., who m. Hannah, and had chn. 1775-1791.

I. GILL, MICHAEL⁴, bro. of the last named and hence s. of Col. Michael³, was b. Charlestown ab. 1750. He came to W. in 1773 or 1774, prob. as occupant and caretaker of ho. lot No. 8 on M. H. Hill,—the Minister Marsh place,—which had come into the possession of his cousin, Moses of Pn., from their kinsman by marriage, Thomas Brigden, recently dec'd. He soon reopened the store on the premises, taking out a retailer's license and doing a considerable business as the only trader in tn. for some years. He was from a family of distinction, well educated, and rose rapidly in the esteem and confidence of his new fellow-townsmen. He was public-spirited, patriotic, and popular, and was called to various positions of usefulness and honor in the service of his town and country. He took great interest in matters pertaining to the relations existing between the colonies and the mother country, and was an ardent friend and advocate of liberty and independence. He was a member of the Com. of Correspondence, chosen to serve especially the colonial cause. He was 3 yrs. Assessor and also Town Clerk for the same length of time, his services in the latter capacity being easily recognized in the records by his superior penmanship. He was in the army for a time, serving as Quartermaster in the Regt. of Col. Rand. He held a commission as Justice of the Peace and exercised to some extent the functions of a lawyer, and was possessed of such legal acquirements, of so much good sense and sound judgment, and was withal a man of such integrity, dignity, and strength of character, that he was appointed Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Worc. Co., Aug. 12, 1795. He remained in W. ab. 10 yrs. after first coming here, then rem. to Pn. for a time, but returned here and continued a resident until within the remembrance of the writer. His last days were spent, however, in Pn., where he d. Aug. 10, 1840, a. 90. He m. prob. in 1777 his cousin, Ann Gill, dau. of John Gill, the printer, who d. W., Aug. 4, 1830, a. 71. "Her life," said the *Mass. Spy* in a notice of the event, "was amiable and exemplary." Chn.:

2. JOHN⁵, b. May 19, 1778; nothing known. [21, 1862.

3. MOSES⁵, b. Dec. 20, 1780; m. Mary Baldwin; res. Shrewsbury; 2 chn.; d. Aug.

4. NANCY⁵, b. April 3, 1783.

5. FRANCES⁵, b. 1792?; m. David Reed; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 12, 1865.

Moses Gill⁶ (3), of the above family, grad. at Harvard Coll., studied theology, and was licensed to preach at Boylston, June 29, 1808, but was never settled. He

taught in Boston, 1812-29, preaching occasionally. On account of ill health he then retired to a small farm in Shrewsbury, carrying it on in summer and teaching generally in winter. Served on Shrewsbury Sch. Com. 5 years. He d. suddenly, having been a cripple for a long time, the result of a fall. "He was of cheerful, mild temperament, enjoying the company of friends, kind and sympathizing, an affectionate husband and father."—*Harv. Nec.*

6. GILL, JOHN, lineage unascertained, but prob. not of the same immigrant stock as the foregoing, was one of the early settlers in Nar. No. 2, coming from Acton ab. 1748 and locating on lot No. 87, south of the Reed Merriam, now Wm. J. Black, place, where in 1751 he had "some land cleared and a small frame of a house." (See A. H. No. 100.) He m. Sept. 1, 1743, Abigail Baker of Acton and had 2 chn. (perhaps 3) bef. coming here, the dates of whose birth are conjectural. He d. April 12, 1759, and his wid. subsequently m. again and rem. from town. The place was sold to John Carter of Lanc. in 1761, though the family seem to have been here in 1770, when 2 daus. were pub. as residents. Chn.:

7. ROBERT, b. Acton, 1744?; d. Sept. 2, 1757.
8. JOSEPH, b. Acton, 1746?; d. Sept. 2, 1757.
9. ELINOR, b. Nar., March 23, 1749; pub. Ezekiel Goodale, Temple, N. H.; 7 chn.
10. ELIZABETH, b. Nar., April 17, 1751; pub. John Everett, Boston.
11. ANNA, b. Nar., May 17, 1753; prob. d. infancy.
12. JOHN, b. Nar., Nov. 20, 1757; d. infancy.

1. GILSON, MERRICK L., s. of Nathaniel S. and Nancy (Hildreth) Gilson of Groton, was b. June 6, 1823. He m. July 6, 1849, Emeline E., dau. of Amos D. and Louisa (Emerson) Tucker of Boylston, her mother being sr. of Rev. Brown Emerson. After residing in Groton, Worc., etc., as shown in table below, they came to W. in 1869, where he found employment as a chairmaker and general mechanic. He was a sold. in the war of the Rebellion, enlisting for 3 yrs. in Co. B., 26th Regt., but after 11 months' service was discharged for disability, having contracted diseases which resulted in death April 14, 1878, at the a. of 54. Chn.:

2. EMELINE L., b. Groton, Jan., 1850; d. Nov. 23, 1851.
3. EDGAR L., b. Worc., Nov. 4, 1851; m. H. Josie Holden; res. Sherborn.
4. WARREN E., b. Nash., N. H., Nov. 20, 1853; m. H. L. Clark; res. W.; no chn.
5. WILLIAM E., b. Nash., N. H., Nov. 20, 1853; m. Jennie E. Holden; res. W.
6. ELLA E., b. Groton, Aug. 24, 1857; m. Frank M. Holden; res. Hudson.
7. FRED L., b. Lowell, June 26, 1866; m. Addie L. Pollard; res. W.

[3.] GILSON, EDGAR L., s. of the last, m. H. Josie, dau. of Amos B. and Harriet (Smith) Holden, and has res. in W. and Sherborn. Chd.:

8. LOIS B., b. April 25, 1878.

[5.] GILSON, WILLIAM E., bro. of the last, m. March 17, 1875, Jennie E., dau. of Calvin and Charlotte E. (Houghton) Holden, and res. W. A chairmaker by trade. Chd.:

9. IDA ESTELLE, b. July 4, 1878.

[7.] GILSON, FRED L., bro. of the last, m. Addie L., dau. of Henry G. and Almira (Lovewell) Pollard, Gr., Oct. 23, 1888. They have

10. HENRY L., b. Feb. 3, 1890.

GLAZIER, BENJAMIN, a resident for some years in the east part of the town, was a native of Lanc., ptge. unknown, b. ab. 1783. He m. Abigail, dau. of Ezekiel and Mary (Parker) Sawin of Pn., Feb. 6, 1805. He was for a time owner in part of the sawmill located on the Wachusettville stream near the tn. line, below the residence of Samuel H. Sprague. According to the Sawin Family pamphlet, he had 5 chn., to wit: Samantha, Thomas, Elizabeth, Zenas, and Ezekiel, but none of their names appear in the W. records and hence are not tabulated here.

1. GODDARD, EMERSON N., s. of Nathaniel and Delina (Partridge) Goddard of Temp., was b. Aug. 17, 1839. He came to this tn. from Gr. in 1884, and having purchased the Central hotel property has served in the capacity of "mine host" there since, as successor to Merrick H. Puffer. Under his administration the house has maintained a good standing in the community, and extended to travelers, festive parties, and whomsoever might lend it patronage, a hearty welcome and a generous hospitality. He m. May 1, 1861, Jane L., dau. of Lysander and Adaline Jackson, also of Temp., who d. June 30, 1870, a. 28. They had but 1 chd.:

2. EMMA J., b. Temp., Nov. 18, 1864; res. W.; unm.

GOLDTHWAIT, GEORGE W., of Worc., ptge, etc., unkn., m. Dec. 12, 1839, Lucy, dau. of Ezra and Lucy (Whitcomb) Miller, and was for some years a citizen of W. A man of generous impulses and sterling worth, he manifested an earnest interest in the moral and social reforms of the day, and sympathized with the anti-slavery, temperance, and other great causes calculated to promote the well-being of mankind and the redemption of the world. He went finally with his family to Iowa, where himself and w. d. many yrs. ago, and where, at Marengo, their two sons, Frantz O. and Henry E., now reside. They also had a dau., Georgiana, who d. W., Aug. 12, 1861, a. 18.

1. GOODALE, JACOB, s. of Thomas and Hannah Goodale of Southboro', purchased in June, 1772, lot No. 5, 3d Div., in the north part of the town, and prob. improved and occupied it at an early date thereafter. (See A. H. No. 6.) He also came into possession of No. 66, 2d Div., long known as the Goodale place. Of him little is known. The name of his w. even has not been fd. in any records thus far examined. He is believed to have lived in Ash. awhile after removing from W., and to

have gone thence to Athol, where all trace of him is lost. In 1780 he quitclaimed all rights in his real est. here to his bro., John, named below. His chn., native of this town, were:

2. JOSEPH, b. Aug. 1, 1774.

3. JACOB, b. Dec. 23, 1776.

4. GOODALE, JOHN, bro. of Jacob, as stated, was pub. to Mary Hadley of Stoneham, Jan. 26, 1776. He set. here not long after, living and dying on the place to which he gave his well-known name. He built and run for many years the saw- and gristmill on Phillips' Brook, which was destroyed by a freshet in 1853. John Goodale and w. had no chn., but adopted a girl named Sally Cutter, who m. Abijah Lewis, into whose possession their est. passed after their decease. He d. March 19, 1823. Date of death of w. unkn. The parents of John and Jacob Goodale spent their last days in W., the f., Thomas, dying Jan. 29, 1799, a. 82, and the mother, Hannah, May 11, 1810, a. 91.

1. GOODRIDGE, CALVIN G., s. of David and Susannah (Ross) Goodridge of Winch., was b. Jan. 6, 1815. He m. Dec. 12, 1833, Lucy W., dau. of Phineas and Betsey (Whitney) Hartwell of W., and after res. in Winch. awhile, rem. to this town, purchasing and settling upon the Joel Whitney farm on the North Common, where he still lives with his s., John C. His w., Lucy W., d. Sept. 10, 1870, a. 62. Chn.:

2. JOHN C., b. Winch., May 3, 1845; m. Lizzie L. Phelps; res. W.

3. HENRY H., b. Winch., April 27, 1848; d. Winch., May 7, 1848.

4. ABBIE E., b. Winch., May 14, 1850; d. W., Nov. 27, 1864.

[2.] GOODRIDGE, JOHN C., s. of the last, m. March 27, 1866, Lizzie, dau. of William B. and Hannah (Flint) Phelps, Fg. Chn.:

5. EMILY P., b. Oct. 23, 1867; m. Henry H. Sawtelle; res. Jaffrey, N. H.

6. WILL J., b. April 17, 1870.

7. FRED A., b. April 8, 1882.

8. GRACE E., b. Dec. 16, 1884.

1. GOODWIN, JAMES, from Worc., ptge., etc., untraced, pub. to Abigail Goulding, Worc., June 1, 1793, and warned out of tn. with w., 1794. They had:

2. HARRIET, b. Aug. 10, 1795.

3. GOODWIN, FRANKLIN, s. of Thomas and Elizabeth Bulow, sometime res. in W., was b. Newton, 1810(?). Having changed his name, he m. Oct. 13, 1836, his cousin, Elizabeth L., dau. of Asa Brooks, and l. near his f.-in-law, in the north part of the town. His w. d. in W., Dec. 17, 1856, and he subsequently rem. to Newton, where he d. June 6, 1888. The following chn. are mentioned in the records:

4. Son, b. 1837; d. Oct. 24, 1856.

5. MERCIA, b. 1843; d. Sept. 6, 1866.

6. ELSIE ABBY, b. Jan. 13, 1847.

7. Son, b. April 26, 1849.

8. FRANCIS C., b. April 8, 1851; d. Oct. 24, 1856.

9. Daughter, b. Oct. 18, 1852.

10. Child, b. Dec. 20, 1855.

I. GOULD, BENJAMIN⁴, for some years a resident of Nar. No. 2, was s. of Thomas³ and Mercy (Sumner) Gould of Topsfield, b. May 29, 1716, and a descendant of Zaccheus¹, the immigrant who came from Hemel-Hempstead, Eng., ab. 1638, and was one of the first settlers of the town named. John², the s. of Zaccheus, b. Eng., 1635, was f. of Thomas³ aforesaid. Benjamin⁴ m. Esther Pierce, Oct. 17, 1739, and set. first in Lunenburg, but rem. hither, locating on lot No. 106, lying between lower Wachusettville and the residence of the late E. R. Carter, where in 1751 he had "cleared 3 acres and built a good house." (See A. H. No. 57.) He is said to have had a considerable family, some of whom must have been b. here, though their names do not appear in the records. Those given below are from other sources. One of these, Benjamin⁵, was with his f. in some of the later expeditions of the F. and I. War. The latter prob. ret. to L. and d. there at a date unkn. Chn.:

2. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Jan. 31, 1741; res. Rindge, N. H.

3. AMOS⁵, b. Feb. 7, 1744.

GRAVES.

The families of this name in W. descended from Thomas Graves¹, of Charlestown, who was s. of John of Ratcliffe, Eng., near London, b. June 6, 1605. Taking to the life of a seaman, he became a skillful shipmaster and is said to have been commissioned Rear-Admiral in the British Navy by Oliver Cromwell, after the overthrow of King Charles I. Previous to the occurrence of that event he had been in this country and laid plans for his future abode here, by securing, for some service rendered the colony, a grant of 250 acres of land located in that part of what was then Charlestown, now near Wilmington, called the "land of nod." For some years he commanded a vessel running between Boston and the ports of the mother country. By this means he kept up his acquaintance with men and affairs on the other side of the sea. He was on familiar terms with the principal men of the Mass. Colony, and was held by them in high esteem, being pronounced by Gov. Winthrop after his d. in 1653, "an able and godly man."

The wife of Admiral Graves was Catharine Gray, of unknown ancestry, by whom he had Joseph², b. 1645, and prob. other chn. When Joseph² was 21 years of age he m. Elizabeth Maynard and settled in Sudbury, then a growing plantation in the receding wilderness. There a s. named Richard³ was b. Apr. 7, 1762, who m. Joanna ——— and had a family, one of whom was the W. pioneer.

I. GRAVES, RICHARD⁴, s. of Richard³ and Joanna, was b. Sept. 9, 1709. He m. Patience, dau. of Jonathan and Abigail (Dix) Grout, Sept. 14, 1741. A year and four months later he bought of Benj. Garfield, as heretofore stated, lot No. 58, in the south part of the tn., the place long known by his name, now belonging to Geo. M. Davis. He appears to have been a man of superior intellectual and executive ability, of decided opinions, and much force of character, — qualities duly recognized and appreciated by his fellow-citizens and the general community. He was dignified by the title of "Ensign," indicating some distinction in military tactics. He filled numerous places of responsibility under the propriety, and was chosen Selectman several

years after the incorporation of the tn. was consummated. He d. March 28, 1798, a. 88. His wid. survived him nearly 2 yrs., dying Feb. 1, 1800, a. 87. Chn.:

2. PATIENCE⁵, b. June 9, 1742; m. John Matthews; res. Holden; 8 chn.
3. LUCY⁵, b. Sept. 7, 1743; m. Josiah Wheeler; res. W. and Gr.; 10 chn.
4. PETER⁵, b. Nov. 25, 1745; m. four times; res. W., etc.
5. PRISCILLA⁵, b. March 9, 1748; pub. Ebenezer Ross, Aug. 17, 1767.
6. RICHARD⁵, b. April 17, 1750; m. Ruth Merriam; res. Pn.; no chn.; d. Feb. 12, 1828.
7. JONATHAN⁵, b. July 2, 1752; m. Betty Lewis; res. W.
8. LEVI⁵, b. July 10, 1754; m. Rebecca Wood; res. W.
9. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Nov. 17, 1756; no further record; prob. d. young.

[4.] GRAVES, PETER⁵, oldest s. of the above, pub. to Susannah, dau. of Samuel and Mary (Fiske) Hager, Feb. 11, 1768. A few years after, he purchased of Wm. Hosley lot No. 60, directly over the hill from his f.'s, and l. there till ab. 1797, when he sold to Paul Matthews of Pn., and left town. He went hence to Gr., and from there to Leom., and finally to Groton, where he passed his last days. His w., Susannah, d. Sept. 4, 1778, leaving 7 chn. He is understood to have had a second wife., who had 1 s. and d. soon after. April 26, 1789, he m. (3) Hannah McIntire, who bore him 1 chd. (perhaps more) and d. in 1792, notice of the event being in the *Spy* of Dec. 30. Three yrs. later he m. (4) Easter Lawrence of Groton. Date of his d. unkn. Chn., as far as found:

10. LUCY⁶, b. June 21, 1768; m. Ebenezer Bemis; res. W., etc.
11. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1769; d. Feb. 26, 1786.
12. PRISCILLA⁶, b. July 23, 1761; m. Benjamin Edgell; res. Gr.; 10 chn.; d. Feb. 22, 1832.
13. PETER⁶, b. March 27, 1773; drowned Leom., July 29, 1791; much praised in *Spy*.
14. SUSANNAH⁶, b. March 29, 1775; m. Edmund Bemis, Jr.; res. Troy, N. H.; 7 chn.; d. July 5, 1848.
15. MOLLY⁶, b. March 3, 1777; d. March 16, 1777.
16. NATHAN⁶, b. March 4, 1778; d. Sept. 13, 1778.
17. ASA⁶, b. Sept. 5, 1786.
18. EZRA⁶, b. Dec. 10, 1789.

[7.] GRAVES, JONATHAN⁵, bro. of Peter, m. May 15, 1778, Betty, the sup. dau. of Nathan Lewis, who lived on lot No. 75, opp. the old John Miller place, in the south part of the town. He located on a 3d Div. lot, No. 11, near Cedar Swamp, it being the farm owned by his gd.s., the late Orange Young. The house stood on the south side of the road, ab. 25 rods west of the present dwelling, the cellar of which was filled up some years since. He d. March 20, 1817, a. 64. He was a Revolutionary soldier. Date of w.'s d. unkn. Chn.:

19. JONATHAN⁶; m. Asenath Walker; res. W.; 1 chd.; abandoned his family.
20. BETSEY⁶; m. Hollis Leland of Gr.
21. MICAH⁶; m. Azubah Hager; res. W.
22. SALLY⁶; m. Samuel Young.
23. PERSES⁶; m. — Ware; res. Hub.
24. PATIENCE⁶; m. Charles Sawin; res. W.
25. BELA⁶; m. Nancy Wesson; res. W.
26. RICHARD⁶; m. Dolly Bemis; res. Ash.
27. HANNAH⁶; m. Josiah Conant; res. Gr.; 8 chn.; d. a few years since.

[8.] GRAVES, LEVI⁵, bro. of the last, m. (1) Rebeeca, dau. of Nathan and Rebecca (Haynes) Wood (pub. Sept. 10), 1780, and remained at the old homestead as successor to his f. Besides managing the farm, he carried on brickmaking at the S. W. corner of the premises, which has a clayey basis. His first w. d. May 8, 1795, a. 37, and he m. (2) Lydia (Bemis), wid. of Stephen Sawin. She d. May 3, 1855, a. 84. His d. occurred July 19, 1835, at the age of 81. Chn.:

28. MOSES⁶, b. Oct. 18, 1781; d. July 28, 1785.
29. SALLY⁶, b. March 13, 1784; m. Joseph Minott; res. W. [chn.; d. 1876.
30. REBECCA⁶, b. Nov. 16, 1786; m. Ebenezer Raymond; res. Warren, Vt.; 12
31. LEVI⁶, b. March 23, 1789; m. Rebecca Brooks; res. W.
32. MOSES⁶, b. May 22, 1791; went to Burlington, Ky., and d. there unm. ab. 1852.
33. LUCY⁶, b. July 31, 1793; m. Thomas Gaut; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. Oct. 1, 1885.
34. EVELINA⁶, b. July 25, 1804; d. March 8, 1892, at W., unm.
35. STEPHEN⁶, b. Oct. 10, 1807; went south when a yg. man; d. Baton Rouge, La.

[21.] GRAVES, MICAH⁶, s. of Jonathan and Betty (Lewis) Graves, m. Azubah Hager, ptge. unkn., 1808 (pub. Aug. 6), and had a large family. He was without a permanent abiding place, but res. for some years in a rude dwelling, on or near a bridge road leading from the Patridge mill to the turnpike a few rods west of Clarendon Oxford's. He d. June 3, 1823, a. 37. Azubah, his wid., m. (2) Joel Davis. Chn.:

36. CHARLES N.⁷, b. April 28, 1809; m., and had chn.; d. W. Dec. 29, 1885.
37. ABRAM H.⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1811; d. Dec. 27, 1834.
38. JONATHAN⁷, b. Aug. 14, 1812.
39. MICAH⁷, b. June 22, 1815.
40. PERSES⁷, b. Aug. 2, 1817.
41. SALLY⁷, b. Sept. 11, 1819.
42. MARVIN A.⁷, b. Aug. 11, 1821.
43. GEORGE G.⁷, b. Sept. 18, 1823.

[25.] GRAVES, BELA⁶, bro. of the last, m. Nancy Wesson of Temp., 1814 (pub. Nov. 5), and l. on the place now owned by Preston P. Ellis, in the so-called Minott neighborhood. Ab. the year 1840 he sold his estate to Preston Ellis, Sen., and was rem. to N. Y. State under the auspices of the town. Of his subsequent life nothing is known, and nothing of his large family save what is indicated below:

44. THANKFUL ALMIRA⁷, b. June 20, 1815; m. Horace H. Houghton.
45. WILLIAM HENRY⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1817; m. Lovisa Baker.
46. MARVIN A.⁷, b. Jan. 29, 1819; d. April 20, 1819.
47. NANCY H.⁷, b. Feb. 4, 1820; d. Nov. 18, 1820.
48. MARY E.⁷, b. March 7, 1821.
49. CYNTHIA I.⁷, b. Sept. 20, 1822.
50. DOLLY L.⁷, b. Dec. 9, 1823.
51. RICHARD A.⁷, b. June 13, 1825.
52. LUCY⁷, b. June 16, 1826; d. Sept. 16, 1826.
53. PERSIS M.⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1827.
54. ALONZO L.⁷, b. Oct. 13, 1829.
55. NANCY M.⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1831.
56. JOSEPH S.⁷, b. Feb. 2, 1834.

[31.] GRAVES, LEVI⁶, s. of Levi⁵ and Rebecca, m. Rebecca, dau. of Ezra and Rebecca (Temple) Brooks (pub. Nov. 3), 1827. His later years were spent on the No. Common, where he d. May 14, 1882, a. 93. His w. passed away many years before, Dec. 25, 1846, a. 46. Chn.:

57. EZRA BROOKS⁷, b. Oct. 24, 1828; d. Nov., 1841.
58. CAROLINE BROOKS⁷, b. July 24, 1832; d. Sept. 4, 1835.
59. THEODORE⁷, b. Jan. 14, 1839; m. Tryphena M. Parmenter; res. Boston.

1. GRAY, TIMOTHY, from Fg., untraced, bought, early in the century, the Silas Ward place, in the north part of the tn., now occupied by H. V. Runnels, and res. there till his d. Aug. 3, 1845, at the a. of 71. But little has been learned of him or of his fam. He seems to have m. (1) Lucy Boynton of Fg., who d. after a few years, and (2) Abigail Stone, prob. of the same tn. His chn., so far as known, were:

2. PUTNAM, who res. Fitzwilliam, N. H.
3. CHARLOTTE, who l. and d. W.
4. SARAH F., who m. Fred. Winship.
5. JONATHAN, who l. and d. unm.
6. SYLVESTER, b. 1812; d. unm. Feb. 27, 1886.
7. MARY; m. Asa Wheeler; lived W.; 6 chn.
8. WILLIAM P., possibly, who d. Oct. 15, 1887, a. 80.

GREEN.

Several families of this name have res. in town at different periods of its history, all of them, it is presumed, the descendants of Thomas Green¹, b. prob. Lancashire, Eng., in 1606, who come to N. E. ab. 1635, living awhile in Roxbury, and then in Ipswich, but set. finally in Malden. The lineage from him has been definitely traced, however, only in a single instance. By his two wives, Elizabeth and Frances, he had 11 chn. Of these, William² m. Elizabeth Wheeler and had William³, who m. Elizabeth Hills. Their s., a third William⁴ in succession, m. Sarah Sprague and moved to Leicester ab. 1720, becoming the head of a large and notable posterity, distinguished for the number it gave to the medical profession, several of whom have been celebrated for their skill and meritorious success. The Drs. Green of Worcester were of this stock. One of the sons of Wm.⁴ and Sarah (Sprague) Green became somewhat late in life a resident of W. This was:

1. GREEN, ISRAEL⁵, the 5th chd. of last named, b. at unkn. date, m. Mary Holdent of Worc., and set. first in Petersham. He afterwards res. in Hub., coming thence to W., where he bought, Feb. 5, 1778, the Jeremiah Gager place (see A. H. No. 63), selling it 8 yrs. afterward to Edmund Bemis. He was often called Dr. Green in the records, and may have been a regularly educated physician, practicing perhaps before he took up his abode in W., being then considerably advanced in yrs. He d., prob. in W., 1790. He had a large family of chn., but as only one of them ever res. in W., the names of the others are omitted.

2. GREEN, ZEEB⁶, s. of Israel and Mary, was b. Petersham, Nov. 11, 1754. He first appeared in tn. ab. the time his f. did, buying, in 1779, 2d Div. lot, No. 118, lying in the Whitman River valley, near the old Ezra Brooks place, but remained in possession of the same only a few months. April 9, 1780 he was pub. to Sally, dau. of James and Mary (Pearson) Cowee, subsequently m. her and having a large family. He went hence to Chittenden, Vt., and later to Rutland, where he is supposed to have d. at a date unkn. His w., Mary, *ditto*. Chn.:

3. JOEL⁷, b. W., July 31, 1780; m. twice; 8 chn.; d. Nov. 20, 1849.
4. SALLY⁷, b. W., Aug. 1, 1782; m. Wm. Manly; 4 chn.; d. March 28, 1834.
5. MARY⁷, b. Chittenden, June 17, 1785; m. Jacob Walton; res. W.; 6 chn.
6. REUEL⁷, b. Chit., Nov. 8, 1790; d. Feb. 29, 1804.
7. RHODA⁷, b. Chit., May 1, 1795; m. Dr. I. W. Hall; res. Brandon, Vt.; 4 chn.; d. July 21, 1829.

8. ALMOND⁷, b. Chit., July 26, 1797; m. Jerusha Lawrence; no chn.; d. Oct. 16, 1830.
9. ORANGE⁷, b. Chit., July 26, 1797; m. twice; res. Milledgeville, Ga.; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 31, 1835.
10. LAURA⁷, b. Chit., May 5, 1800; m. Thomas Damon; d. Nov. 5, 1831.
11. HORACE⁷, b. Dec. 24, 1802; m. twice and had 11 chn.

Joel Green⁷ (3), the oldest of the above-named family, studied at the Med. Dept. of Middlebury Coll., receiving the degree of M. D. in 1832. He became a widely-known and renowned physician in Brandon and Rutland, Vt., where he res., and in the general community.

Almond Green⁷ (8), another s., studied the same profession with Dr. Pearson of W. After practicing awhile at Brandon, Vt., he went to Whitehall, N. Y., where he acquired an enviable reputation and a high standing among his brethren and with the people in that vicinity.

Horace Green⁷ (11) studied and received his degree at Middlebury, and also pursued a supplementary course in some of the best schools of Europe. He attained great distinction not only as a practitioner, but as a writer of medical works. He was for a time Prof. at the School of Medicine, Castleton, Vt., but ab. 1850 went to the city of N. Y., where he was very influential in founding the Med. Coll. there, and where he gained many laurels of honor for his recognized ability and eminent usefulness.

[9.] GREEN, ORANGE⁷, was the only s. of Zeeb Green⁶ who res. in W., and he was here but for a brief season, going hence to Milledgeville, Ga., where he d. Dec. 31, 1835, a. 38. He m. July 24, 1823, Nancy M., dau. of Gilman and Azubah (Gilbert) Thurston. They had 1 chd.:

12. ORANGE H.⁸, b. W., Jan. 20, 1835; grad. N. Y. Med. Coll., and is in practice N. Y. City.

13. GREEN, NATHAN, lineage untraced, with w., Lucy, was in W. 1777-1782, though his name is not in the tax lists and his place of residence has not been found. But the records give the following chn.:

14. ARDEN, b. Oct. 28, 1777.
15. CLARINDA, b. Sept. 22, 1779.
16. BETSEY, b. Nov. 27, 1782.

17. GREEN, THOMAS, was the first of the name reported here. He came from Malden, and there is no doubt he was a descendant of Thomas¹ in ab. the third generation, though the connection has not been made. As early as 1741 he was the owner of lot No. 27, on which more recently George Smith was located, and prob. made the first improvements there, though it was in possession of Jonathan Lawrence in 1751. He d. bef. 1755, when his wid. drew a 3d Div. lot on the one specified. Very likely he gave the name to Green Hill. No chn. reported.

18. GREEN, ISAAC A., s. of Samuel and Martha, and gd.s. of Benjamin, was b. Mendon, May 31, 1742. He bought in 1768 lot No. 33, 2d Div. (see A. H. No. 32), and occupied it some 8 yrs., when he sold to Samuel Fessenden and ret. to Mendon. He m. April 26, 1764, Hannah Pierce of Holliston, by whom he had 7 chn., most of whom were natives of W.:

19. LUTHER, b. Dec. 28, 1766.
20. CALVIN, b. Oct. 14, 1768; d. Feb. 4, 1776.
21. SAMUEL, b. Nov. 23, 1770.
22. MOSES, b. Dec. 10, 1772; m. Jerusha Wiswall.
23. MARTHA, b. March 10, 1775; d. Dec. 31.
24. OTIS, b. Dec. 3, 1778.
25. PERSIS, b. Sept. 4, 1780.

1. GREENE, A. FRANK, s. of Isaac and Polly Greene, was b. in Plymouth, Vt., Jan. 11, 1839. He m. Sept. 16, 1862, Melissa M., dau. of Samuel and Mary (Patch) Hill, who was b. Chester, Vt., Feb. 9, 1843, and after a brief residence successively in Hartland, Vt., Stow, and Lanc., came to W. in 1885 and located on the Woodward place, half a mile N. W. of the Center. He was formerly a farmer, but for some years has worked in a chair shop. Is much interested in the cause of temperance, and especially active in the order of Good Templars. Chn.:

2. GEORGE S., b. April 4, 1866, at Hartland, Vt.
3. ROBERT H., b. March 28, 1869, at Hartland, Vt.
4. SARAH F., b. Oct. 5, 1878, at Stow.
5. FLORENCE E., b. June 22, 1884, at Lanc.; d. March 18, 1885.

1. GREENWOOD, ETHAN A., s. of Moses and Betsey (Dunlap) Greenwood of Hub., was b. May 27, 1779. He was a scholar of some repute, and was employed in W. as a teacher ab. 1800. He grad. at Dart. Coll., 1807, and studied law with Solomon Strong, Esq., the first practicing attorney in tn. He purchased in Jan., 1808, a few acres of land on the N. W. slope of M. H. Hill, and erected upon it the brick dwelling now occupied by wid. Peter Wright and dau. The frame of the building was raised St. John's Day, June 24, 1808. Two years subsequently the est. was sold to Alexander Dustin, Esq. It is not certain that Mr. Greenwood followed his profession in town, excepting incidentally with Mr. Strong. While here he developed considerable skill in the painting of portraits, which gave him quite a reputation in later years. Some of his pictures, still extant, evince not only the taste and talent of the artist, but the thoroughness and durability of his work, which has borne the test of criticism and of time also. Mr. Greenwood m. Caroline Warren of Roxbury, but they had no chn. Upon leaving W. he returned to his native place, where he became one of the leading, most active, and most prosperous citizens. He was urbane and dignified,—“a gentleman of the old school.” He d. May 3, 1856, a. 76. His w. d. Jan. 20, 1875.

2. GREENWOOD, AARON, bro. of the last, was b. March 22, 1781. Soon after attaining his majority he came to W. and engaged in trade at the Farwell Jones stand on the Common, near where A. D. Bolton now lives—his f. purchasing the property in July, 1803. The title passed in 1806 from the f. to his s., Ethan A., who sold it in 1811 to Alexander Dustin, and he some years later to Dr. Silas Pearson. The old building, including store and dwelling, is well remembered by those past middle life. After a few years' residence here, Mr. G. rem. to Winch., and thence to Pa., where he d. at a date unkn. While a resident of W. he m. Eliza Thatcher of Hub. (pub. Aug. 31, 1807), but no chn. are rep.

1. GRIFFIN, CARLOS, from Jericho, Vt., m. Susan G. Bowman of Ash., and had :

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| 2. SUSAN E., b. Jan. 16, 1854; m. Charles M. Brown; res. W. | |
| 3. —, b. June 6, 1855. | 4. —, b. Dec., 1861. |
| 5. ADA A., b. Aug. 9, 1864. | 6. EMMA G., b. July 26, 1868. |
| 7. LILLIAN W., b. Nov. 29, 1873. | |

8. GRIFFIN, JAMES, by his w., Mary, had, according to the records:

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| 9. WILLIAM HENRY, b. Nov. 18, 1852. | 10. JAMES, b. May 12, 1855. |
| 11. MARY ANN, b. June 16, 1856. | 12. JOHN JOSEPH, b. April 11, 1858. |

13. GRIFFIN, MARTIN, and Catharine, both b. Ireland prob., had :

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| 14. MARTIN, b. Oct. 9, 1855. | 15. MARY, b. Nov., 1857. |
| 16. —, b. Oct. 4, 1859. | |

1. GRIMES, HENRY S., prob. from Hub., was in town a few years at the time indicated by the birth of his chn., as given below:

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| 2. Unnamed, b. Feb. 28, 1833; d. same day. | |
| 3. REBECCA M., b. Jan. 26, 1836. | 4. HENRY, b. June 11, 1838. |

GROUT, ABIGAIL, d. of Jonathan and Abigail (Dix) Grout of Sudbury, and sr. of the w. of Richard Graves, lived here many years, having taxable property, both personal and real, held in her own right. She made her will Oct. 11, 1769, giving her property to her sr., Mrs. Graves, and appointing Mr. Graves her executor, but lived till 1782.

GUGGINS, JAMES, place of birth, ptge., etc., unkn., bought of Zach. Harvey and John Hall, in 1778, lot No. 4, 3d Div., in west part of town, on old County road from W. to Temp., on which he erected a ho. and other farm buildings. (See A. H. No. 70.) Some tokens of the site may still be seen in what was long known as the Clark pasture. His w. was Ruth —, but no record of chn. appears. They were here but 5 yrs., the place being sold in 1783 to David Osgood of Sterling. Whence they came or whither went, no one can tell.

HACKETT, JOSEPH, s. of Ebenezer and Abigail (Green) Hackett, was b. Chesterfield, N. H., Feb. 2, 1819, and m. Sarah S., wid of Shelah Hoyt, Worc., and dau. of Phillip Merriam, Ash. They came to W. 1876, and took up their res. on the old Mosman place near the Scrabble Hollow R. R. crossing, a part of which, with one-half of house, had been purchased of Benjamin Mosman. No chn.

1. HADLEY, JOHN, ptge., etc., not ascertained, bought, as early as 1739, lot No. 5, on which the Nichols Bros.' chair fac-

tory recently stood, and in due time located upon it, clearing a few acres and building a ho. a little west of the present Estey residence, for which he was paid a bounty in 1741 or 1742. Ten yrs. later he sold to Benjamin Bigelow and purchased lot No. 75, lying south of the John Miller, now Parcher, place near Wachusett. Prob. he erected the first buildings there and occupied them more or less regularly till 1769, when he disposed of the est. to his s. Josiah. (See A. H. No. 92.) At a subsequent date he was in Weston, whither he seems to have gone from this town and where, Feb. 26, 1773, he made his will, which was lodged in the Prob. Court in Jan., 1779, he having d. previous to that date. He m. (1) Mary Waite and (2) wid. Mary Harrington, as is sup., but his chn. were b. bef. he came here, and, with a single exception, have eluded the search of the writer. He spelled his name *Headle* in receipting for the bounty paid him, which form, as well as that of *Headley*, it frequently assumes in the records.

2. HADLEY, JOSIAH, s. of John and Mary (Waite) Hadley, was b. in Lincoln, May 5, 1731. He m. Jane, dau. of Ebenezer and Bethia (Muzzey) Fiske of Lexington, in 1752, and appears to have set. in Lanc., of which tn. he was a citizen when he purchased lot No. 75, mentioned above. There possibly his chn. were b. He was first taxed here in 1770. In 1778 he sold his farm and rem. to Sterling, where he has descendants now living. He was an eccentric character, as certain traditions in some of the families formerly resident in the neighborhood clearly show. Date of his death and that of his w. unkn. Chn.:

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| 3. BETHIA, b. April 10, 1754. | 4. MARY, b. Jan. 21, 1756; m. Jos. Pierce. |
| 5. JOSIAH, b. July 27, 1761; m. Naomi Pierce. | |
| 6. JOHN, b. March 6, 1763; d. infancy. | 7. JOHN, b. March 6, 1764. |

8. HADLEY, JOHN, antecedents unkn., but distantly related, perhaps, to the foregoing, came from Stoneham and located in the extreme north part of the town. March 3, 1787, he bought the place now owned by Fred W. Smith, of Joseph Flint, and there he lived and d., July 13, 1826, a. 70. He was s. of John of Stoneham, and m. Ruhamah Cummings of Petersham, Jan. 29, 1792. She d. April, 1846, a. 85. Chn.:

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| 9. BETTY, b. Nov. 12, 1793; m. Samuel Martin, Jr.; no chn. |
| 10. JOHN G., b. July 13, 1797; m. Jerusha Babcock; res. W. |
| 11. CUMMINGS, b. Dec 15, 1799; m. Sally Babcock; res. W. |
| 12. WILLIAM, b. Nov. 25, 1802; m. Abigail Babcock; res. W. |

[10.] HADLEY, JOHN GOODALE, s. of last, m. (1) April 13, 1822, Jerusha, dau. of Nathan and Abigail Babcock, Fg., and had 3 chn. He set. on the old Jonathan and Jonas Smith place, a little off the main road above the Goodale mill site, near where he was b. His w. d. and he m. (2) Sally, wid. of his bro. Cummings, in 1844. He d. at an unkn. date. Chn.:

13. SAMUEL M., b. Sept. 26, 1784; d. infancy.
14. DAVID, b. March 1, 1827; d. Aug. 21, 1849.
15. MARY; m. Alma Hilton, Fg.

[11.] HADLEY, CUMMINGS, bro. of the last, m. Sally Babcock, sr. of his bro. John's w. (pub. Jan. 8), 1825, and remained on the home place with his f., who soon d. He d. Dec. 18, 1842, a. 43. Chn.:

16. ELMIRA, b. April 8, 1825; m. — Williams and Charles H. Howe; d. Aug. 25, 1870.
17. ABIGAIL B., b. June 16, 1827; m. Jos. Boynton; res. Fg.; d. April 16, 1892.
18. LEVI C., b. Sept. 9, 1830; m. and res. Minn.; 1 chd.
19. HARRIET F., b. May 8, 1833; m. Jona. Boynton; res. Fg.; d. June 16, 1887.
20. EMELINE, b. Dec. 24, 1835; m. Chauncey Chase; res. Springfield; 1 chd.

[12.] HADLEY, WILLIAM, youngest s. of John and Ruhamah, was pub. to Abigail Babcock, sr. of Jerusha and Sally, wives of his bros. just named, Nov. 3, 1825. He d. Feb. 9, 1861, a. 58. His wid. went to Ash., where she d. May 8, 1876, a. 77. Chn.:

21. BETSEY E., b. July 11, 1826; m. H. J. Bellows; res. W. Marlboro', Vt.
22. NATHAN B., b. June 25, 1828; m. Jane Hosmer; res. Fg.; d. March 27, 1885.
23. HOSEA, b. Nov. 3, 1842; m. Mary S. Barnes; res. Ash.; d. May 3, 1882.
24. LUCINDA, b. Nov. 10, 1844; m. J. P. Mather; res. So. Ash.
25. WILLIAM, b. Feb. 17, 1836; m. Victoria A. Russell; res. So. Ash.; no chn.
26. SAMUEL, b. May 11, 1839; res. Wilmington, Vt.; unm.
27. ABBIE, b. Aug. 3, 1842; m. Wm. B. Woodward; res. Springfield; d. Jan. 4, 1882.

HAGER.

The early data of this family are not fully authenticated. Some genealogists claim that its immigrant head was William Ager¹ of Watertown, who was made freeman in 1631, and who may have come over with Winthrop the year before, bringing one or more chn. with him. It is assumed without definite proof that he was the f. of Wm. Hager² of the same place, and this hypothesis seems so probable that it is made the basis upon which the successive generations are calculated in this review. It is a matter of record that William Hager² was m. to Mary Bemis, March 20, 1644-45, which proves almost to a certainty that he was b. in Eng., prob. ab. 1620. Among the chn. of this pair was Samuel³, whose birth-date is unk., but who m. Sarah Mixer and became the father of the first of the name in this town.

I. HAGER, SAMUEL⁴, s. of the last, was b. Sept. 1, 1698. In the distribution of the 1st Div. lots, in 1734, he, as the representative of his uncle, John Hager, who was a Narragansett soldier, drew No. 25, on which W. Clarkson Foskett now resides, into the possession of which he at length came as rightful proprietor. In 1751 he had made a clearing on the domain and put up a little house, though he had not at that date become a permanent resident. Indeed, it does not appear that he was more than an intermittent inhabitant of the place until within a year or two after the tn. was incorporated, when his name is found regularly in the tax lists until his decease. Mr. Hager m. (1) Hannah Parks, ab. 1724, by whom he had 4 chn. She having d., he m. (2) Mary Fiske and had 11 more,

—the youngest, Elijah, being b. in 1755. Several of these d. in early childhood, and only 8 seem to have been living at the time of his d., June, 1774. He was a man of large property for those days, having considerable lands in Waltham, Cambridge, and Sudbury, as well as in this tn., which, with money at interest, he disposed of by a will probated July 11 of the yr. named. His wid. d. Oct. 2, 1782, a. 73. It is not deemed needful to tabulate his family, those members of it who set. in W. being noticed below.

2. HAGER, JONATHAN, s. of the last, was b. Watertown, March 18, 1741-2. He joined his f. here in 1766, and here he remained, occupying the paternal estate as long as he lived. He m., in 1768, Lois Holt, whose ptge., etc., are not known, and they lived together till Sept. 14, 1817, when she d. He d. Sept. 27, 1823, a. 81. They had:

3. MOSES; d. young.
4. SAMUEL, b. 1777; res. W.; d. unm. Nov. 29, 1827.
5. LYDIA, b. 1782; m. William Wiswall; res. W.; d. Feb. 22, 1846.

6. HAGER, ELIJAH, bro. of the last, was b. in Watertown in 1755, and prob. came to W. when a mere lad with his parents, succeeding, at the death of his f., to the joint ownership with Jonathan of the old homestead, which the two carried on together for nearly half a century. Somewhat late in life he m. Mary Jones of Leom., and res. for several years on lot No. 19, where Hobart Raymond now lives, which he bought of Edmund Bemis early in the century. Ab. 1820 he purchased what was known as the Edgell farm, the buildings of which are now owned by Aspasio H. King, and rem. thither, spending there the rest of his days. He d. April 27, 1841, a. 85. His wid. d. Feb. 13, 1865, a. 81. Their chn. were:

7. MOSES, b. Sept. 9, 1804; unm.; res. Phila.; d. Nov. 18, 1860.
8. LAURA, b. July 29, 1806; d. Sept. 27, 1841.
9. GEORGE W., b. July 6, 1808; m. Abigail Pond; res. W.
10. MARY, b. Sept. 24, 1810; m. Luther W. Rugg; res. Sterling; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 3, 1838.
11. ISAAC, b. Dec. 25, 1813; m. Mary A. Walden; res. Minn.; 2 chn.; d. Aug., 1891.
12. ABIGAIL, b. June 23, 1816; d. Jan. 19, 1817.
13. MARTHA M., b. Dec. 11, 1817; m. Jonas Cutler; res. W.
14. SARAH A., b. Oct. 15, 1820; m. Charles Upton; res. W.
15. JOSEPH, b. March 22, 1823; m. Arabella R. Sargent; res. W.

[9.] HAGER, GEORGE WASHINGTON, s. of the last, m. Oct. 24, 1833, Abigail, dau. of Preston and Hannah (Rice) Pond, and after a few years set. in the ho. at the east end of the central village, where he and his w. still res. Chn.:

16. FREDERICK, b. March 9, 1834; d. Oct. 17, 1834.
17. GEORGE C., b. Oct. 15, 1838; d. July 14, 1842.
18. MARCUS J., b. Oct. 3, 1840; d. at sea, Jan. 22, 1863. (See Rebellion record, p. 407.)

[15.] HAGER, JOSEPH, bro. of the last, and the last branch of the family tree. In his early manhood he spent some years in Monticello, Minn., where he m. Arabella R. Sargent, a native

of Bridgewater, N. H. Returning to his native place, he assumed charge of that portion of his f.'s landed property which had come into his possession, occupying the old home and carrying on the farm in connection with sundry lumber and real estate enterprises. Some 10 yrs. ago he purchased and moved into the attractive, commodious dwelling on Pleasant St., where he now res. Mr. Hager must be regarded as one of W.'s most active citizens,—a man of more than ordinary native endowments, of much general intelligence, of acknowledged capability, and of marked individuality of character. Greatly interested in public affairs, he has served two terms on the Board of Selectmen, and been frequently called to act on committees of importance, whose duties required wisdom, good judgment, and regard for the common welfare. His w. has been repeatedly chosen one of the Public Library Committee of the town,—a position for which she is admirably fitted by her intellectual ability, literary tastes, and womanly worth. They have had 2 chn., only one of whom survives to gladden their declining yrs.:

19. LAURA E. LEN, b. July 16, 1862; a bright and promising girl; d. May 11, 1880.

20. MARY BELLE, b. July 11, 1868; a teacher in the High School.

Moses Hager, the oldest s. of Elijah and Mary Hager, was of scholarly tastes and literary aspirations. He pursued his studies preparatory to a college course at Stow, New Ipswich, Leicester, and New Salem Academies, and with Dr. John White of this town. He grad. at Harvard in the class of 1831, conspicuous among whose members were Drs. George C. Shattuck and N. B. Shurtliff of Boston, Hon. John L. Motley, and Wendell Phillips. He studied law awhile, but deciding not to enter the profession was never admitted to the bar. His more active life was spent in teaching in the city of Phila., where he at one time held the office of Clerk in the Courts, and where he was finally employed as an agent of a R. R. Corporation. He d. Nov. 18, 1860, in the 57th year of his age.

HALE, HORATIO, untraced, was in W. 1814 and later. He l. in the ho., now going rapidly to decay, that stands on the corner of the Curtis road, so-called, and old turnpike in the east part of the town. He was a blacksmith and had a shop on the opposite corner. His w., whose name is not given, d. Sept., 1815, and a child, also unnamed, the Jan. following, 1816. He soon after is lost to view and to research.

HALL.

Edward Hall¹, an immigrant, was in Newbury in 1636, but ere long removed to Rehoboth, near Taunton, where a son, Andrew², was b. some years afterward. Ab. 1695, the latter settled in Newton. He m. Susannah, dau. Dea. John and Susannah Capen, by whom he had Edward³, b. prob. early the last century. May 21, 1730, Edward³ m. Mary, dau. of Samuel and Elizabeth (Child) Miller, and sister of Joseph Miller, afterwards a well-known resident of this town.

I. HALL, EPHRAIM⁴, s. of Edward³ and Mary (Miller) Hall, was b. July 31, 1736, at Newton. He was a weaver by trade, doing his work altogether by hand, slowly and rudely as com-



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RESIDENCE OF JOSEPH HAGER.

pared with what is accomplished at the present day. He m. in 1756, Elizabeth Carter, and res. successively at Newton, Dedham, and W., as indicated in the table below. On coming here he bought, May 14, 1768, of Elijah Seaver, lot No. 23, 2d Div., the late Edward and Levi Jackson place. He prob. res. there but a few years, though his whereabouts, after selling his farm in 1781, cannot be determined. The dates of his own and w.'s death have not been found. Perhaps he left town, his name not appearing in the tax lists later than the year mentioned. Chn.:

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| 2. RACHEL, b. Newton, May 4, 1759. | 3. SARAH, b. Newton, April 23, 1762. |
| 4. LOIS, b. Newton, Oct. 25, 1765. | 5. ELISHA, b. Dedham, Sept. 12, 1767. |
| 6. EPHRAIM, b. W., May 18, 1770. | 7. EDWARD, b. W., June 17, 1773. |

[5.] HALL, ELISHA, s. of the last, learned the fuller's trade, prob. of David Wyman, and was afterwards in company with him in the business as narrated in Chap. XVI. Dissolving partnership with Mr. Wyman, he purchased the north part of lot No. 65 of Capt. Edmund Bemis, whose dau., Sarah, he m. in 1794. This purchase included the mill site on the town meadow stream, in the rear of the present res. of wid. Abijah H. Raymond. There he erected a fulling mill for his own use, and a dwelling ho. near by. He offered the entire property for sale in the *Mass. Spy*, July 24, 1805, and subsequently disposed of it to Col. Thaddeus Bond. He remained in town through life, but the facts pertaining to his later yrs. have not come to hand. He d. Nov. 9, 1845, a. 78. His w., Sarah Bemis, d. Sept. 25, 1799, a. 25, and he m. (2) Prudence, dau. of John and Betty Martin, in 1802. His wid., Prudence, d. March 17, 1849, a. 80. The only chn. of whom any records have been discovered are the following:

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| 8. SALLY, b. Aug. 19, 1799; m. Samuel Barnes; res. W. and Fg.; 4 chn. | |
| 9. MARY, b. Aug. 23, 1803. | 10. BETSEY, b. April 22, 1808. |
| 11. ALEXANDER, b. June 27, 1815. | |

12. HALL, ISAAC, from Vt., first appeared in town as a stage driver under the old-time methods of travel and transportation. He subsequently was a partner with Joseph Whitman in the lumber business, having a mill on the Town Meadow stream below Raymond's. He m. a Miss Brooks of Athol, and res. in his later life on the Ezra Wood place, near the R. R. Station. He d. Jan. 21, 1864, a. 61.

I. HAM, GEORGE S., s. of Osborn and Mary P. Ham of Ipswich, a chairmaker by trade, came from Gr. in 1880 and located in the brick house previously occupied by Capt. Ethan W. Holden, at the N. E. corner of the old Common, where he still res. He m. Amanda J., dau. of Cotton and Levina Hayes of Jackson, N. H., and had one s., whose name is:

2. ANDREW C., b. Jackson, N. H.; a chairmaker; res. W.

I. HAMILTON, MRS. ELIZABETH (GRAY), was b. May 30, 1779, and m. Oliver Hamilton of Pelham, Dec. 19, 1801, in which place she res. until after her husb.'s death. She then came to W., where she had a dau., and remained here a few yrs., going hence to Hub., and dying there April 3, 1842, a. 63. She had 7 chn.:

2. ANNA, b. Jan. 22, 1803; m. John Lewis; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. May 6, 1836.
3. WILLIS, b. Feb. 5, 1805; unm.; res. Pelham; d. May 4, 1833.
4. BETSEY, b. July 27, 1807; m. Benson Bigelow; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. May 12, 1833.
5. SYLVIA, b. Sept. 2, 1810; m. Jona. P. Earle; res. Hub.; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 3, 1860.
6. LEVINA, b. March 19, 1813; res. Pelham; d. unm. Aug. 25, 1829.
7. GEORGE W., b. April 4, 1816; m. three times; res. Hub.; 4 chn.; living.
8. CYNTHIA W., b. Dec. 19, 1819; m. Asa Goodnow; res. Boston; 4 chn.; d. Nov. 1, 1856.

HARRINGTON.

The earliest records of this name in New England have it Errington and Arrington. The first of these forms soon received its aspirated prefix, making it Herrington, and this was the prevailing orthography for more than a century. Robert Errington¹, the immigrant, was one of the proprietors of Watertown in 1642. He m. in 1649, Susannah George and had a son Thomas², whose w., Rebecca Bemis, bore him George³, b. Aug. 1, 1695. The latter m. Hepzibah, dau. of John and Abigail Fiske, whose sister was mother of John and Thomas Stearns of Nar. No. 2, and whose nieces were the wives of Samuel Hager and Stephen Sawin. A cousin of Hepzibah m. Eliezer Bigelow. So it appears that four of the oldest families in town were connected with each other by ties of blood relationship.

I. HERRINGTON, SETH⁴, was the 10th child of George and Hepzibah, b. Watertown, Sept. 15, 1729. He is understood to have m. Sarah, dau. of Joshua and Grace (Bemis) Child, of whom mention has been made, coming here ab. 1750, possibly bef. m. took place. They located on lot No. 23, now in possession of Ephraim Lufkin, which had been improved and built upon previously by Mrs. H.'s f. She d. Sept. 30, 1759, leaving 4 chn., and he m. (2) Priscilla (Wilder), wid. of Benjamin Houghton of Lanc. She had a dau., Priscilla Houghton, who d. Aug. 4, 1764, a. 5 yrs. Seth Herrington d. Nov. 25, 1815, a. 86. His w. d. the previous year, Jan. 28, 1814, a. 85. He was afterward pub. to wid. Rebecca Temple, and prob. m. her a few months bef. his decease. Chn.:

2. SARAH⁵, b. Nov. 10, 1752; m. Silas Holt; 2 chn. b. W.
3. ELISHA⁵, b. Aug. 31, 1754; d. unm. Feb. 29, 1844.
4. SETH⁵, b. June 5, 1756; prob. d. young.
5. DANIEL⁵, b. Feb. 24, 1758; prob. d. young.
6. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Dec. 23, 1763; m. (1) James Bowers and (2) Capt. Samuel Sawin; 2 chn.; res. W.
7. EUNICE⁵, b. Aug. 31, 1766; m. (1) Isaac Dupee and (2) Stephen Hunting; 2 chn.; res. W.
8. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Jan. 7, 1769; m. Sarah Woodward; res. W.
9. HANNAH⁵, b. Oct. 28, 1770; prob. d. young.

[8.] HARRINGTON, BENJAMIN⁵, s. of Seth and Priscilla, m. Sarah, dau. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Withington) Woodward (pub. Dec. 26, 1789), and res. with his parents on the home

place. He d. Feb. 10, 1813; Sarah, his w., d. Feb. 5, 1813, both a. 44. Chn.:

10. SETH⁶, b. Nov. 3, 1791; d. Oct. 29, 1810.
11. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Oct. 19, 1793; m. Lucinda Hill; res. W.
12. JOHN⁶, b. Nov. 4, 1797; d. Aug. 19, 1800.
13. JOHN⁶, b. Feb. 19, 1802; m. Abigail Wood and Mrs. Lydia Clark; res. W.
14. SALLY⁶, b. Sept. 15, 1804; m. Joseph Whitney; res. W.; 3 chn.; d.
15. DANIEL⁶, b. Jan. 26, 1813; m. Nancy White; res. W.

[11.] HARRINGTON, BENJAMIN⁶, s. of the last, m. Lucinda, dau. of Nathaniel and Annis (Whitcomb) Hill of Gr., Nov. 10, 1814, and succeeded to the paternal homestead. He became an ardent Baptist in religious faith and was made Dea. of the chh. He also in early life received some military honors and bore the title of Capt. Dea. Harrington d. Sept., 1870, a. 76. His w. d. Sept., 1871, a. unkn. Chn.:

16. MAVERICK⁷, b. May 16, 1816; m. Sarah G. Farnsworth; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.; dec'd.
17. B. FREDERICK⁷, b. July 21, 1821; m. Harriet Clark; res. Leom.; 4 chn.; d. Jan., 1893.
18. MALCHUS⁷, b. Jan. 16, 1825; m. Caroline Farnsworth; res. Camden, N. Y.; sev. chn.; living.

[13.] HARRINGTON, JOHN⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Abigail, dau. of Elijah and Sarah (Farrar) Wood, Oct., 1822. He has res. in W., Pn., and Hub., but returned to W. a few years since. An honest, hard-working, trustworthy man, and a good citizen. He has prob. made more wells and cellers than any other man ever residing in town. He is still living in the enjoyment of a serene old age, domestic comfort, and the esteem of his fellow-townfolk. His w., Abigail, d. in Hub., Jan. 1, 1878, and he m. (2) wid. Lydia Clark, dau. of Edward W. Kendall, Feb. 5, 1880. Chn.:

19. EDWIN⁷, b. Aug. 2, 1823; m. Lydia Chase; res. Windham, Vt.; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 13, 1872.
20. ABIGAIL⁷, b. May 1, 1825; m. Frank E. Bolton; res. W.; 1 chd.; living.
21. SARAH⁷, b. April 2, 1828; m. John Howard; res. Hub.; 4 chn.; living.
22. LANSFORD⁷, b. Oct. 6, 1830; m. Elmira Everett; res. Pn.; 8 chn.; d.
23. GEORGE⁷, b. July 7, 1833; m. Serviah Hastings; res. Springfield; living.
24. MARY⁷, b. July 14, 1836; m. J. Hervev Miller; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. March 11, 1865.

[15.] HARRINGTON, DANIEL⁶, youngest s. of Benjamin and Sarah, m. Nancy, dau. of James and Thankful (Patch) White, 1834. A hard-working farmer and general jobber. Early in life he bought the Esq. Jonas Whitney farm in the south part of the town, where he still res. His s., James, lives with him, succeeding him in the care of the farm and in much outside work. Chn.:

25. CHARLES⁷, b. July 9, 1836; d. Sept. 8, 1836.
26. ANTHONY L.⁷, b. Jan. 16, 1838; m. Lucy Bryant; res. Boston.
27. ALBERT W.⁷, b. Jan. 31, 1841; m. Susan Crane; res. Col.; 1 chd.
28. SARAH J.⁷, b. April 11, 1843; m. John W. Carr; res. W. and Ash.; 3 chn.
29. JAMES S.⁷, b. July 20, 1845; m. Elizabeth Prentiss; res. W.
30. LUCY A.⁷, b. Sept. 14, 1847; m. Rev. Geo. W. Whitney; res. Cal.; no chn.

31. CHARLES H.⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1850; d. on ship *Morning Star*, June 24, 1872.
 32. MARY E.⁷, b. Oct. 19, 1836; m. Myron Whitman, etc.; res. Col.; 1 chd.
 33. BENJAMIN⁷, b. May 3, 1860; d. Oct. 20, 1860.

[16.] HARRINGTON, MAVERICK⁷, s. of Benjamin and Lucinda, m. Sarah G., dau. of Asa and Jemima (Gates) Farnsworth, and res. in town awhile, then rem. to Camden, N. Y., and finally to Okemos, Mich., where he d. a few yrs. since. Chn.:

34. FRANCES AMELIA⁸, b. Oct. 7, 1839.
 35. MAVERICK IRVING⁸, b. Jan. 7, 1842. 36. STILLMAN B.⁸, b. May 23, 1844.

[17.] HARRINGTON, B. FREDERICK⁷, bro. of the last, m. 1842 Harriet Clark of Leom., and after res. here a few years rem. to Leom., where he lived till his death, Jan. 8, 1893. Chn.:

37. SUSAN E.⁸, b. April 24, 1847; d. Sept. 8, 1847.
 38. ALBERT⁸, b. March 31, 1849; d. by drowning, Aug. 14, 1854.
 39. HATTIE L.⁸, b. Sept. 26, 1856; d. 1858.
 40. MARIETTA⁸, b. April 16, 1861; res. Leom.; unm.; teacher of music.

[29.] HARRINGTON, JAMES S.⁷, s. of Daniel and Nancy W., m. Elizabeth, dau. of Spencer and Sarah (Stone) Prentiss, Hub., March 12, 1867. Lived in several places, but finally set. with his f. on the Whitney farm in the south part of the town. Chn.:

41. ADA L.⁸, b. Hub., March 20, 1868; d. Jan., 1869.
 42. ERNEST E.⁸, b. Orange, Feb. 13, 1870.
 43. NETTIE E.⁸, b. Hardwick, June 10, 1872.
 44. EDITH L.⁸, b. Hardwick, May 16, 1874.
 45. MILO S.⁸, b. W., March 6, 1876.
 46. BENNIE A.⁸, b. Nov. 1, 1888.

47. HARRINGTON, SAMUEL⁶, s. of Henry⁵ and Ruth (Blodgett) Harrington of Lexington, was b. Oct. 3, 1764. Henry⁵ was s. of Henry⁴, s. of John³, s. of John², prob. bro. of Thomas², the second in the line already given. Samuel⁶ m. Mary Stimpson, Aug. 27, 1788, and soon after came to W. for the purpose, in part, of caring for the large pastures of Joseph Simonds of Lex., on the side of Wachusett, and the flocks and herds that were kept in them during the grazing season. He built a ho. near the highway, above the Foscett place, and occupied it while he lived. He d. May 4, 1825, a. 60, and his family were so widely scattered that it has been exceedingly difficult to gain any knowledge of them. It is said that there were 13 chn., but no record of them has been found and no attempt has been made to tabulate them in chronological order. Only such brief snatches of information as have been gathered from various sources are given, to wit:

48. AZUBAH⁷; m. — Emerson and Phineas Heywood; res. Bucksport, Me.
 49. JAMES⁷; m. Annis Miller; res. W. awhile; rem. to parts unkn.
 50. SAMUEL⁷; lived in W., unm.; d. Tewksbury.
 51. FRANCIS⁷; res. in Grafton, where he had a hotel.
 52. ELIAS⁷; lived W.; is sup. to have been murdered.
 53. BETSEY⁷; m. Col. Merriam, Pn.
 54. POLLY⁷; m. — Mundell; res. Hub.; 14 chn.; d. May 4, 1874.

55. JULIA⁷; m. John B. Hartwell; res. W. Camb. (Arlington).
 56. CHARLES⁷; m. Mary A. Cutting and Mary J. Seaver; res. Pn.; sev. chn.
 57. HANNAH⁷; of whom nothing definite is known.

Besides these, there were 4 others, whose names even have not been ascertained. One dau. is said to have m. a Morrill, and one a Tillinghast.

[48.] HARRINGTON, JAMES⁷, s. of Samuel and Mary, m. Annis, dau. of Samuel and Lydia (Cutting) Miller, July 25, 1816, and res. awhile where Richard T. Dodge now does, in the east part of the town. Chn.:

57. EDWIN⁸, b. Dec. 3, 1816.

58. MARY⁸, b. Nov. 16, 1820.

59. HARRINGTON, JOHN N., s. of Timothy and Eliza of Sudbury, m. July 2, 1860, Nellie E., dau. of Franklin and Eunice (Whitney) Lombard. They res. a few years in this town, and rem. to Fg., their subsequent home. They have had 8 chn., of whom 3, as the records show, were b. here:

60. CHARLES L., b. April 1, 1861.

61. ELLEN E., b. Sept. 25, 1862.

62. JENNIE L., b. Aug. 6, 1866.

1. HARRIS, GEORGE, untraced, was b. Danvers, Oct. 1, 1810. He came from Fg. to W. soon after he was of age, and m. Louisa, dau. of Timothy and Lydia Hoar, June 13, 1833. They set. permanently on the Ezra Darby place, continuing there to this day. He served the public many years acceptably as undertaker and general supervisor of the principal cemetery. They have had 2 chn.:

2. HARRIET E., b. April 12, 1834; m. Merrick Barnes; res. W.; 4 chn.

3. GEORGE H., b. Aug. 16, 1837; m. Mary A. Estey; res. W., with his parents. They have had 1 chd., Ella Louise, b. Sept. 10, 1868; d. May 23, 1869.

HART, EBENEZER. The first intimation of the residence of this man in town is found in the following notice, presented to the Selectmen: "Gentlemen—These are to inform you that I have taken into my house one Ebenezer Hart and wife and child which came from Lunenburg, their circumstances are unknown to me. JOHN RAND, Westminster, Dec. 24, 1760. Gent^l. I don't desire you to warn them out of town."

It seems, however, that early in the same year, Feb. 26, Ebenezer Hart "of Lunenburg" bought lot No. 76, 2d Div.,—the late Noah May place—of Timothy Poole, Sudbury. He undoubtedly built the first house upon it and occupied the same, as a road was laid out for his accommodation the next season. He was here but a short time, selling his place in 1762 and disappearing from view. The name of his w. is unkn., and the births of no chn. are found in the records.

HARTWELL.

William Hartwell¹, came from Kent, Eng., according to tradition, ab. the year 1636, set. in Concord, and was made freeman, 1642. He d. 1690, a. 77.

His s., John², b. 1641, m. Elizabeth Wright and had Edward³, b. 1689, who m. Sarah Wilder of Lancaster in 1711, and res. in that town for a time, but rem. to Lunenburg, ab. 1724. A son., Phineas⁴, b. 1732, m. Mary Pierce of Groton and located in Fg., whence a branch of the family was transferred to W. in the next generation. The mother, Mary (Pierce) Hartwell, d. here June 25, 1819, a. 85.

I. HARTWELL, PHINEAS⁵, s. of the last named, was b. Fg., July 25, 1781. He m. June 16, 1807, Elizabeth, dau. of Charles and Sarah Willard of the same place, and came here to live with his uncle, Alpheus Whitney, on the farm where his s., Leander, now res. He d. Oct. 29, 1853, a. 72. His w. d. March 2, 1862, a. 82. Chn.:

2. LUCY W.⁶, b. April 20, 1808; m. C. G. Goodridge; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 11, 1870.
3. JOSIAH W.⁶, b. Dec. 6, 1810; d. Sept. 11, 1830.
4. P. PHILANDER⁶, b. Dec. 22, 1812; m. Abbie D. Polley; res. W.; no chn.; d. April 28, 1885.
5. CHARLES W.⁶, b. Nov. 15, 1815; d. Aug. 21, 1822.
6. LEANDER⁶, b. June 1, 1818; m. Persis B. Brigham; res. W.
7. MARY E.⁶, b. Sept. 11, 1821; d. May 21, 1843.

[6.] HARTWELL, LEANDER, s. of the last, m. Nov. 8, 1843, Persis B., dau. of Daniel and Sarah M. (Barnard) Brigham, Northboro'. A farmer by occupation, an exemplary citizen, and Dea. of the First Cong. Chh. for some years. Chd.:

8. CHARLES W., b. Nov. 19, 1844; entered Fed. Army and d. Fort. Monroe, Feb. 10, 1862. (See page 407.)

HARVEY.

One of the most active, honored, and influential citizens of W. during twenty or more years of its earlier history bore this distinguished English name. The American branch of the family is said to have sprung from one — Harvey, Earl of Bristol, whose s. came to this country with other young noblemen in the days of the Plymouth Colony, purchased large tracts of land, including most of what is now Taunton and Dartmouth, and was disinherited by his titled father for marrying a dau. of the N. E. yeomanry. The name of this disrowned scion of nobility is not given, but circumstances seem to ally him with William¹ of Plymouth, who m. Joanna — in 1639, and set. at Taunton, whence he was sent as Representative to the Colonial Legislature. A Thomas², assumed to be s. of Wm.¹, m. Elizabeth Wills of Bridgewater in 1679, and had a s. John³, b. Feb. 4, 1683, who in turn m. Mehitable Learned, July 23, 1710. In the absence of documentary proof, the lineage indicated in this sketch is taken for granted in what follows.

I. HARVEY, ZACHARIAH⁴, was s. of John³ and Mehitable, b. Taunton, May 13, 1711. He was a man of superior natural endowments, executive ability, and moral worth, fertile and versatile in resources, fitting him for a wide sphere of usefulness, and gaining for him the high regard and confidence of every community in which he dwelt. He studied medicine and practiced the profession, with occasional interruptions perhaps, through his entire life. He first set. in Worc. ab. the yr. 1735, where he remained some 12 yrs., and then rem. to that part of

Shrewsbury, called "The Leg," now constituting the S. W. part of Sterling. Ten yrs. later he went to Pn., and there he became much interested, and very active and influential, in public affairs. He was the first regular physician in the place, and served as Mod. of town meetings, Town Clerk, Assessor, Selectman, and Agent to the Gen. Ct., several of which posts of duty he filled at the same time.

In 1766 he made a proposition to the Dist. of W. to build a gristmill on North (Whitman's) River, at the so-called Brooks' mill site, in consideration of certain grants of land to be made him in the vicinity, which proposition was at an early day accepted. Pursuant thereto, he put up the mill and a house near by, which he in due time made his abode. Five years later he exchanged estates with John Brooks, who owned lot No. 4, and so came into possession of almost the entire tract of 60 a., bounded S. W. on Main St., in the central village, and S. E. on Bacon St. This property he disposed of in 1777 to Lieut. Samuel Gerrish, and Lieut. Gerrish in turn to Capt. Nathan Whitney, Nov. 29, 1793.

In W., as in Pn., Dr. Harvey was much in public life. He was a frequent Mod. of town meetings, held the office of Assessor, and served on important committees requiring good judgment and administrative skill. He was an ardent friend of the Colonies in the Rev. conflict, and a member of the first Com. of Correspondence. That he practiced medicine in town appears by the books of the Selectmen, which show that he was paid for professional services from the funds of the Treasury. Soon after coming here he donated to the town of Lanc., to which Shrewsbury Leg had previously been annexed, certain portions of his estate, then still in his possession, for burial purposes and as a site for a schoolhouse. The burial ground still serves the original design of the donor, and is located on the east side of the road leading from W. Sterling to Oakdale. Among the varied interests to which Dr. Harvey gave time and attention was that of horticulture, improving by study and manipulation many of the old varieties of fruit, and producing from the original stock the well-known and still popular autumn or early winter apple that perpetuates his name in this vicinity. Dr. Harvey left W. in 1783 or 1784, res. for a time in Northfield, and went thence to Chesterfield, N. H., where he d. Feb. 15, 1801, a. 89. His w., Ame, as she herself wrote her name, d. the following year at the same age. Chn.:

2. JOHN⁶, b. Worc., April 18, 1736; in F. and I. war; nothing further known.
3. SARAH⁶, b. Worc., Sept. 23, 1738; nothing more known.
4. AME⁶, b. Worc., Jan. 14, 1740-1; nothing more known. [had chn.]
5. ZACHARIAH⁶, b. Worc., March 7, 1743-4; m. Mary Norcross; res. Pn., etc.;
6. SOLOMON⁶, b. Worc., Jan. 9, 1745-6; m. Mary Woodward.
7. DANIEL⁶, b. Worc., Oct. 4, 1747; d. Jan. 13, 1748.
8. RACHEL⁶, b. Shy., May 31, 1750; nothing further.
9. DANIEL⁶, b. Shy., Sept. 14, 1752; d. 1756.
10. DARIUS⁶, b. Shy., Dec. 7, 1754; m. Dolly Brooks.

11. ISAIAH⁵, b. Pn., May 8, 1758; m. Mary —; res. W., etc.

Little has been learned of the later fortunes of the above chn. of Dr. Zach. and Ame Harvey. Zach., Jr., m. Mary Norcross, Pn., Oct. 13, 1764, and had Usebe, b. in that town, May 28, 1765. He seems to have res. in W. awhile, but there is no record of chn. b. here. Solomon studied medicine and set. first in Dummerston, Vt., then Chesterfield, N. H., where he had a large practice and held many town offices, the duties of which he discharged with praiseworthy skill and fidelity. He m. Mary, dau. John and Mary Woodward in Feb., 1768. One chd., Mary, was b. Dec., 1773. Darius was pub. to Molly Brooks, Lincoln, Feb. 16, 1783, at which date he res. here. Prob. left town soon. One only finds a place in the town records, to wit:

[II.] HARVEY, ISAIAH⁵, youngest s. of Dr. Zach.⁴ and Ame, b. "near Wachusett," May 8, 1758, and bap. by Rev. Mr. Mellen of Lanc., 2d Precinct (Sterling), as his record states, at "Rutland E. Wing," June 25, 1758, m., at an almost incredibly early age, Mary —, and res. here for some time before removing to Chesterfield, where he spent his last days. He had 3 chn. b. in W., as indicated below, and 2 in Chesterfield. The Hist. of the last town says that there were prob. a John and Lydia not of record. Those recorded were:

12. ISAIAH⁶, b. W., Oct. 23, 1776.
13. JOEL⁶, b. W., April 7, 1779.
14. SOLOMON⁶, b. W., Jan. 27, 1781; had s., George H.⁷, a physician, W. Brattleboro', Vt.
15. POLLY⁶, b. Chfd., July 19, 1783.
16. LUCY⁶, b. Chfd., March 20, 1786.

I. HASTINGS, ALBERT H., s. of John and Mary Hastings of Sterling, was b. Jan. 12, 1846, and m. Sarah E., dau. of Alexander and Lovisa (Derby) Bigelow, April 12, 1870. They have had 2 chn.:

2. MABEL L., b. Dec. 8, 1871; m. Albert B. Marvin; res. Fg.; d. April 3, 1891.
3. FLORENCE H., b. June 16, 1875; res. W., with parents.

I. HAY, FRED J., s. of Lewis S. and Harriet (Johnson) Hay, was b. at Boiling Springs, S. C., May 5, 1824. He m. at Beaufort, S. C., May 24, 1844, Adaline Wyman of this town, who was South on a visit to her bro., Dr. Joel Wyman. After living awhile in that vicinity they came to W., and were intermittent residents for some yrs., 2 of their chn. being b. here. Mrs. Hay d. at Monticello, Minn., Aug. 24, 1882, a. 66. Mr. Hay is now living in Hickvey, N. C. Chn.:

2. ELLA ROSA, b. March 3, 1845; d. Beaufort, Dec. 3, 1845.
3. EUDORA E., b. Oct. 3, 1846; grad. Worc. Normal School; teacher in Worc.
4. ADELAIDE, b. April 12, 1848; d. Worc., Dec. 7, 1881.
5. SARAH W., b. Sept. 15, 1850; grad. Worc. Normal School; teacher in Worc.
6. ARTHUR, b. Sept. 9, 1853; grad. Dart. Coll.; stud. law; res. Chicago; m.
7. LEWIS S., b. Aug., 1858; d. when a few weeks old.

I. HAYWARD, CALVIN, from Surrey, N. H., was pub. Oct. 27, 1827, to Adaline, dau. of Pearson and Susannah (Upton) Cowee. He was in the principal hotel of the town for a few yrs., going hence to Lanc., and engaging there in the same business, and from there to Fg., where he had charge of the Roll-

stone House. He d. 1861. His w., Adaline, d. April, 1880. They had:

2. SUSAN LOUISA, b. April 16, 1830; d. 1856.
3. CALVIN; birth date unknown; a dentist in N. Y. city; d. Nov., 1892.

1. HENDERSON, GEORGE W., s. of Thomas and Sarah, b. West Chester, Pa., m. Abbie F., dau. of Augustus E. and Harriet M. Houghton, a papermaker, came from Fg., 1875, and res. at Wachusettville. They have 1 chd.:

2. FLORA, b. Fg., June 20, 1870.

1. HESSIAN, MALACHI, and Bridget, both from Ireland in 1868, lived in Fg. ab. 10 yrs., then came to W., buying out his bro. John, and locating on the estate where they still res. They have 4 chn., 3 of whom were b. in Fg., as follows:

2. ANNA MARIA, b. Nov. 3, 1870.
3. MARY ELLEN, b. April 24, 1873.
4. DELIA ANN, b. Dec. 30, 1876.
5. ALICE LOUISA, b. May 18, 1884; d. Dec. 12, 1884.

HEYWOOD.

This name is of Anglo-Saxon derivation and of very ancient date. According to a pedigree prepared with great labor and care by Peter John Heywood of Whitehaven, Eng., in 1781, and published in Hunter's "Life and Times of Oliver Heywood," a celebrated non-conformist clergyman of the days of Charles I., it runs back to 1164—a period when surnames were beginning to come into use in the mother country, and when some local feature of a man's place of residence was often employed to distinguish him from others bearing the same Christian appellation. The earliest authentic document containing it, or its proper prototype, is a title deed, still preserved, conveying a certain tract of land in Lancashire, from one Adam de Burgo or Bury, who held a knight's fee to a large section of territory in that vicinity, to Peter de Ey-wood—that is, of the wooded island—the reputed founder of the family—the Norman French form of designation being soon after transmuted into its English equivalent, Peter Heywood. The estate specified remained in possession of the descendants of Peter more than 500 years, or until 1717, when Robert Heywood sold it to John Starkey of Rochdale, whose grandson, James Starkey, dying in 1846 without issue and intestate, allowed it to pass into the hands of the crown. It is now a public park, having been donated to the town of Heywood, in which it is located, a few years since by Queen Victoria for that special use. It was undergoing great improvements and being made attractive, preparatory to its opening, when visited by the writer in 1878.

Although the line of descent in this family is unbroken and complete from 1164 to the present day, as stated, yet the fact obtains only with respect to the branch which has remained in its native land. The most searching and exhaustive inquiry has failed to connect the American offshoot with the parent stock beyond the sea, as it has also failed to ascertain the time when or means by which the transfer to the soil of the new world was effected. The first that can be learned concerning the family here is that John Heywood¹ of Concord was married to Rebecca Atkinson of the same place, in 1656. For want of more positive information, this John Heywood¹, is regarded as the immigrant ancestor of most of those bearing the name in this country, and he is therefore placed at the head of the list. He had 5 chn. by his wife, Rebecca, who d. in 1665. He m. (2) Sarah Simonds,

who was the mother of 11 chn. She also d. and he m. (3) Priscilla —, who survived him. Among the first chn. was John², a Deacon of the church, who was known by the title thus acquired. He was a man of character and influence and held numerous positions of trust and honor in the town. He m. Sarah —, ab. 1686, and had 11 chn., two of whom, Daniel³ and Phineas², set. in Worcester, the latter, however, rem. to Shy. at an early day and becoming there one of the foremost citizens, possessing, as he did, unusual natural ability, great strength of character, and a loyal, liberty-loving heart. He was b. July 18, 1707, and d. in 1784. By his w., Elizabeth (Moore), he had 11 chn. Two of these, Seth⁴ and Timothy⁴, set. first in "Shrewsbury Leg" now in Sterling, but rem. to W. in 1777. The former purchased lands and located in what is now the central village of Gr., becoming the first Clerk and Treasurer of that town and the head of a most enterprising, respectable, and influential family—his descendants in the second and third generations contributing largely to the development and thrift of that signally prosperous municipality. He d. in 1826.

1. HEYWOOD, TIMOTHY⁴, s. of Phineas³ and Elizabeth (Moore) Heywood, was b. Shrewsbury, Feb. 22, 1739-40. Before he was 20 yrs. of age he enlisted in the F. and I. War for the campaign of 1759, and was at the capture of Ticonderoga and Crown Point by Gen. Amherst in the summer of that year. (See p. 104.) As already remarked, Mr. Heywood located first in what is now the west part of Sterling, then Lanc., where the Richardson tavern was formerly kept, rem. thence to W., and taking possession of a farm bought of Joseph Hosley—the present Dr. Liverpool place,—which was occupied by himself and his s., John, nearly 80 yrs. He was somewhat active in public affairs, serving as Selectman and in many subordinate offices. Before coming to W. he was commissioned 1st Lieut., 2d Co., 2d Regt., Worc. Co. Militia, giving him a title which distinguished him through life. He was an ardent Federalist in politics, and a warm supporter of Adams and Hamilton as against the whole school of politicians and theorists of which Jefferson was the head. He m. in 1769, Patience, dau. of Capt. John and Mary (Hinds) Stebbins of Spencer, whose f. was one of the early proprietors of Leicester, owning, with his bro. Joseph, a large part of the land at present covered by the central village of that town,—his dwelling house standing very near the site now occupied by the spacious and charmingly situated residence of Rev. Samuel May. Lieut. Timothy Heywood d. Aug. 14, 1825, a. 85. His wid., Patience, d. April 29, 1828, a. 82. Chn.:

2. PHINEAS⁵, b. Lanc., March 12, 1770; d. Sept. 13, 1775.
3. JAMES⁵, b. Lanc., July 1, 1771; d. Sept. 10, 1775.
4. REUBEN⁵, b. Lanc., Nov. 11, 1773; m. Betsey Dewing; res. Rome, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. Oct. 8, 1813.
5. MARY⁵, b. Lanc., Feb. 11, 1776; m. Sullivan Sawin; res. W. and Gr.; d. Feb. 1, 1844.
6. PHINEAS⁵, b. W., June 12, 1778; m. Zuba H. Emerson; res. Maine; 5 chn.; d. July 19, 1849.
7. ELIZABETH⁵, b. W., Feb. 24, 1780; m. Daniel Stearns; 11 chn.; d. Ill., 1858?
8. TIMOTHY⁵, b. W., March 5, 1782; d. Nov. 4, 1785.
9. JAMES⁵, b. W., Feb. 4, 1784; m. Mary Miller; res. W.
10. TIMOTHY⁵, b. W., Feb. 9, 1786; unm.; d. Sept. 23, 1845.
11. JOHN⁵, b. W., Dec. 4, 1787; m. Betsey Edgell; res. W.
12. WILLIAM⁵, b. W., April 20, 1790; m. Phebe Wood; res. W. and N. O.

[9.] HEYWOOD, JAMES⁵, s. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Ephraim and Beulah (Wheeler) Miller (pub. Aug. 17, 1806), and l. for a few years in Vt., but finally ret. to W. and d. there Oct. 7, 1837, a. 53. He was a man of happy temperament, socially inclined, fond of anecdote, and somewhat witty withal. A farmer to begin with, he afterward learned the art of glazing, becoming a very skillful and thorough workman. His reputation in his distinctive calling was so great that his services were sought for far and near, especially in cases of large contracts, and he probably set more glass by far than any other man that ever lived in town. His wid., Mary, survived him many years, dying March 22, 1858, a. 77. Chn.:

13. AURELIA⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1806; d. unm. Nov. 22, 1880; insane several years.
14. JOHN S.⁶, b. May 15, 1808; m. Nancy Cummings; res. Hollis, N. H.; 2 chn.; dec'd.
15. SARAH M.⁶, b. April 4, 1811; d. Sept. 7, 1833; a school teacher; much beloved.
16. CATHARINE H.⁶, b. Nov. 18, 1812; d. Oct. 9, 1830.
17. REUBEN W.⁶, b. June 15, 1815; m. and res. Balt. and Chicago; 3 chn.; dec'd.
18. MARY M.⁶, b. Nov. 12, 1818; m. David W. Barnes and S. B. Hall; res. W. and Fg.; 3 chn.; dec'd.
19. HENRY M.⁶, b. Aug. 12, 1821; m. — Standish; res. Chelsea; no chn.; dec'd.
20. MARCUS T.⁶, b. Dec. 12, 1824; m. and res. Newton; 2 chn.; dec'd.

Timothy Heywood⁵ (10), bro. of the last, had marked scholastic tastes and attainments, and was engaged awhile in teaching, though he was principally employed in mechanical pursuits. Later he became much interested in public affairs, received a Justice's commission, and devoted himself to conveyancing, settling estates, etc., his sound judgment, probity, and fidelity commanding universal esteem and confidence. For some 20 of the last years of his life, he res. in Gr., where he was highly esteemed for his genial though reserved manners, his practical good sense, and high character. His fellow-citizens of that town honored him with a place on the Board of Assessors 5 years, on the Sch. Com. 2 years, and by sending him as Rep. to the Gen. Ct. for six sessions. In politics he was a devoted Whig, and, though reticent, unobtrusive, and averse to notoriety, was a safe counsellor in party policies and a loyal supporter of whatever principles he espoused. He d. unm. in the home of his bro.-in-law, Sullivan Sawin, at Gr., Sept. 23, 1845, and was buried in the old family lot, in the W. cemetery, where a plain marble slab marks the final resting place of all that was mortal of him. "An honest man is the noblest work of God."

[11.] HEYWOOD, JOHN⁵, another s. of Timothy and Patience, was a stonemason by trade, working thereat, at home and abroad, for some years after attaining his majority. In 1816, however, his parents having become enfeebled by age, he set. on the paternal estate and gave his attention thereafter to farming, in which occupation he attained a good degree of success. He was a great friend of popular education and the common school system, a firm adherent and promoter of the temperance, anti-slavery, and other reforms; a Whig in politics to begin with, developing through Free-Soilism into a steadfast Republican, and in religion a believer in liberal Christianity, and a supporter, for the most part, of the Universalist Society and Chh. A man of integrity and honor, decided in his opinions, and faithful in whatever post of service he was called to fill, he commanded the confidence of his neighbors and fellow-townsmen, and received repeated tokens of their kindness and regard. He

served 1 year on the Sch. Com., 3 years as Assessor, and 5 years on the Board of Selectmen. He m. Jan. 17, 1822, Betsey, dau. of Capt. Wm. and Thankful (Puffer) Edgell, by whom he had 6 sons and 1 dau. After retaining possession of the farm conveyed to him by his f. nearly 40 yrs., he sold the same and purchased the est. in the Central Village, now owned by Joseph Hager, and there spent his remaining days, passing away Nov. 9, 1868, a. 80. His wid., a faithful helpmeet, a devoted mother, and a hard-working, conscientious, woman, followed him to the eternal world March 22, 1872, a. 72. Chn.:

21. WILLIAM S.⁶, b. Aug. 23, 1824; m. A. S. Ballou; res. Hopedale, etc.; 1 chd.
22. FRANCIS S.⁶, b. Aug. 2, 1826; m. Lucretia Graves; res. Chicago; 3 chn.
23. PORTER P.⁶, b. July 30, 1828; m. Sarah M. Upham; res. Chicago; 2 chn.
24. J. LOWELL⁶, b. Sept. 29, 1830; m. Adelia L. Everett; res. Aurora, Ill.; 2 chn.
25. CATHARINE M.⁶, b. May 22, 1833; m. John H. Hodder; res. Aurora, Ill.; 5 chn.
26. GEORGE E.⁶, b. July 28, 1836; m. Fannie Fuller; res. Prov., R. I.; 1 chd.
27. CHARLES H.⁶, b. March 16, 1839; m. Alice Wheeler; res. Worc.; no chn.

William S. Heywood⁶ (21), oldest s. of the above, fitted for college at W. and Leicester Academies, but abandoned his studies for a business career. Becoming deeply interested, at a later day, in philanthropic, moral, and religious subjects, he was led by a profound spiritual experience to devote himself to the work of the Chn. Ministry. On the literary foundation already laid, he prosecuted his theological studies, partly by himself and partly under the guidance of Rev. Adin Ballou of Hopedale, whose dau. he afterwards m., and was ordained to his calling in May, 1849. He had already become an active member of "the Hopedale Community," an organization established for the purpose of applying the spirit and principles of the religion of the New Testament to every department of human activity, and of illustrating them in all the relations of life, and was for some years one of the accredited ministers of that movement; preaching and lecturing at home and abroad, as opportunity offered, in the interest of a rational and practical Christianity. He was for seven years associated with his wife in the management of "The Hopedale Home School," an institution which attained a fair degree of success in its day, and something of celebrity wherever its character, methods, and merits were known. After the dissolution of the Community and the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion, which caused a permanent suspension of the "Home School," Mr. Heywood applied for, and received admission to, the fellowship of the Unitarian branch of the Chn. Church, in whose communion he has since prosecuted his labors for the cause of virtue and piety on the broad basis of Love to God and Man, and in the spirit of that "larger hope" which is slowly gaining ascendancy in the world. The several settlements of Mr. Heywood since leaving Hopedale in 1863, have been, in regular succession: Scituate, 1865-67; Hudson, 1867-74; Holyoke, 1874-83; Boston, as Minister-at-Large, 1883-87; Sterling, from 1888 to the present time. In the late autumn of 1886 he was stricken with paralysis of the lower limbs, which prostrated him utterly for a few weeks, and which caused a suspension of all labor, physical and mental, on his part for a year. At the expiration of that period he had so far recovered as to warrant him in resuming the duties of his profession, which he has attended to, in connection with the preparation of this volume, until now. In the prosecution of the various departments of his life-work, Mr. Heywood has had a valuable helpmeet in his wife, to whose intelligence, culture, counsel, and practical assistance in many ways, he is disposed to attribute, in no small degree, whatever of success may have crowned his labors. Their only chd., L. Florence Heywood, was a grad. of Smith College in 1884, since which date she has been employed as asst. teacher in the Sandwich High School, and in supplementary studies in the higher grades of educational work. She has, at this writing (Jan., 1893), just set. in N. Y., as the wife of John Holden, Esq., a young lawyer of that city.

Francis S. Heywood⁶ (22), bro. of the last, early chose teaching for a calling in life. Beginning in the district schools of his native town, he rose to more important positions in Portsmouth, Va., and Elgin, Ill., and finally in Chicago, where for ab. 25 yrs. he has had charge of one of its largest public grammar schools, filling the position with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of an exacting Board of Education. His w. is a woman of superior gifts, and of unusual administrative ability, as

displayed in her efficient labors for sundry educational and charitable enterprises with which her name is honorably identified. The only dau. of Mr. and Mrs. H., Marion, has pursued a three-years' special course of study in Michigan University, and is at present spending a year in foreign lands with her mother, partly for purposes of health and recreation, and partly to improve herself in a knowledge of modern European languages.

Porter P. Heywood⁶ (23), another of the sons of John and Betsey, fitted himself for the work of teaching, with his bro., F. S., at W. and Leicester Academies. After a few terms' service in his native town and vicinity, he was engaged for one year in a Classical Institute at Portsmouth, Va., going thence to Aurora, Ill., where he did much to reconstruct the school system of the city, and where, as Principal of the High School, which he was largely instrumental in founding, he achieved an acknowledged and gratifying success. Considerations growing out of the state of his health induced him to relinquish the art of pedagogy, and to substitute underwriting and cognate pursuits in place of it. He soon evinced marked ability in this field of activity, which was speedily recognized by those having important insurance interests in charge, and was called to assist in the general management of a branch office of one of the oldest, largest, and most reliable Insurance Companies of the country—his place of business being in Chicago—and this position he has held for the past 20 years. His w.—a native of W.—Sarah W. Upham, recently dec'd, was a person of culture and refinement, gifted in conversation and in writing, active in literary and social circles, including the Chicago Woman's Club, and much devoted to thought and study upon the great leading practical and speculative questions of the age, a person of high moral and spiritual attainments, and a bright example of "true and noble womanhood."

John Lowell Heywood⁵ (24), named in honor of one of the noblest sons of Mass., was also a teacher for some years, and an early friend and supporter of the various great causes of philanthropy and reform characteristic of the period when he arrived upon the stage of active life. He, too, became a member of "The Hope-dale Community," and still holds firmly to the distinctive principles which that organization claimed to represent. He was engaged while at H. in mechanical operations, but afterwards was a merchant in Milford and Prov., R. I. Some 20 years ago he rem. to Northern Ill., where he has been employed in agriculture and allied pursuits. His w., the dau. of Dea. J. T. Everett, now of this town, has ever been an earnest sympathizer with him in all his aspirations and efforts for a higher and better individual and social life, and active in church and charity work. Their only surviving chd., Rosa, is a successful teacher in the public schools of Aurora, Ill., where they res.

Catharine M. Heywood⁶ (25), the only dau. of John and Betsey Heywood, was also a teacher in her early womanhood, going West, after a few years' service in this vicinity, to assist her brother, P. P., in the High School of Aurora. In due time she m. John H. Hodder, a printer by trade, for many past years publisher of *The Beacon*, one of the largest and most influential Republican newspapers in Kane Co., and also the present Postmaster of the city. Her s., Frank H. Hodder, grad. at Mich. Univ., and after tutoring at Cornell Univ. two or three years and spending a year studying in Germany, was called to the Professorship of History and Political Economy in the State Univ. of Kansas, located at Lawrence, a position still occupied by him.

George E. Heywood⁶ (26), while pursuing his studies preparatory to a college course, devoted certain portions of the year to teaching, for which profession he proved himself well-equipped and efficient. He entered Brown Univ. with the class of 1864, but failing health obliged him to give up all intellectual labor before the curriculum was completed, thereby causing him to miss the honor of graduation. Recovering somewhat, he began a few years later the study of medicine, but found he could not prosecute it to satisfactory practical results without encountering risks to which his strength was unequal. He therefore settled down to a more quiet life, to find in his attractive home, with his family and friends, amid his books and elsewhere, in connection with such occasional labors as inclination, opportunity, and his state of health allowed, the satisfaction and enjoyment which in his opening manhood he hoped to gain by a more active and more public career.

Charles Henry Heywood⁵ (27), the youngest of the fam. under notice, was a sold. in the war of the Rebellion, as specified on p. 416. Most of his subsequent life has been spent in Worc., where he is one of the members of an enterprising and successful boot and shoe firm, known to the business world under the name of "Dadman, Heywood & Co."

[12.] HEYWOOD, WILLIAM⁵, youngest s. of Timothy⁴ and Patience, m. Phebe, dau. of Abel and Phebe (Holden) Wood, June 19, 1814. After a brief residence here he went to New Orleans, La., where he soon after d. His wid. m. (2) May 14, 1826, Capt. Asa Weston from Taunton, who d. W., Oct. 22, 1830. Wm. and Phebe Heywood had 1 chd:

28. EDWIN EUSEBIUS⁶, b. W., Oct. 22, 1814; d. March 13, 1827.

29. HEYWOOD, JOHN⁵, s. of Seth⁴ and Martha (Temple) Heywood of Gr., was b. Shrewsbury, Dec. 8, 1764. He came to W. ab. 1792, and, entering into partnership with Thomas Bemis, carried on business at the trip hammer establishment and blacksmith shop connected therewith in Wachusettville for a number of years. He then sold out his interest in the concern and ret. to Gr., but finally went to Penn., where he d. leaving sev. chn., and where a considerable posterity is still to be found. His w. was Mary Hutchins, who bore him 4 chn. while residing in this town, and others at a later day, whose names have not been ascertained. The birth date of those native to W. is not recorded. Their names were:

30. MARY⁶.

31. JOHN⁶.

32. BETSEY⁶.

33. LOVITTE⁶.

HILL.

John Hill¹, was a blacksmith at Plymouth, in 1632. The next year he moved to Dorchester. His s., John², settled in Sherborn, where he had Ebenezer³ the f. of Nathan⁴, and other chn. Nathan⁴ had Mavrick⁵, who m. Abigail Moulton and settled in what is now Gr. some years before the incorporation of that town.

1. HILL, NATHANIEL⁶, was one of the 7 chn. of Mavrick⁵ and Abigail, who m. Annis, dau. of Jona. Paul and Tamer (Ross) Whitcomb, and had a large fam. Several of the daus. b. in Gr. became residents of W. by marriage or otherwise, and he himself was here a few years, living perhaps with his chn. Subsequently he was in Pn. and prob. d. there. His wid. d. W., May 24, 1843, a. 71. Dau. Mary d. March 7, 1840, a. 45.

2. HILL, DAVID W., was s. of Jonas and Lucretia (Moore) of Royalston, b. Feb. 14, 1823. Jonas was s. of Oliver, s. of Jonah, who went from Douglass to Royalston as one of its earliest settlers, and d. there in 1806, a. 69. The Hills of Douglass were originally from Sherborn, and no doubt Jonah was a lineal descendant of John² named above, though the connecting links have not been found. David W., a painter by trade, came to W. ab 1845, locating in the Central Village. A quiet, unpretending man, but of the strictest integrity and moral worth, to which his fellow-citizens have rendered adequate testimonial by electing him town Treasurer for more than 30 successive yrs. He is a sincere and devoted member of the First Cong. Chh., of which he was chosen Dea. in 1866. He



RESIDENCE OF DAVID W. HILL.

m. (1) Ella E. Brigham of Marlboro', May 12, 1847. She died s. p. Sept. 13, 1848, and he m. (2) Caroline A., dau. of Josiah and Betsey (Puffer) Wheeler, who bore him 2 chn. and d. Aug. 13, 1854. His third w. was wid. Lucia Butterfield, dau. of Henry Marvin, Shelburne, Vt., whom he m. April 14, 1855. She d. Dec. 25, 1869, a. 49, leaving a dau. He m. (4) Feb. 8, 1871, Mary E., dau. of Martin and Sylvia Goddard of Orange. Chn.:

3. JENNIE E., b. Jan. 9, 1852; m. Dr. W. H. H. Shepard; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 1, 1879.
4. CHARLES S., b. Feb. 7, 1854; d. Aug., 1854.
5. JESSIE L., b. Dec. 11, 1859; m. Dr. W. H. H. Shepard; res. W.; no chn.

I. HINDS, DANIEL, s. of Benjamin of Shrewsbury, was b. April 27, 1749. Benj. was s. of Jacob of Marlboro', beyond whom the lineage is untraced. Daniel m. Sarah Holbrook and prob. resided awhile in his native place, but moved to Gr. ab. 1788. Some five years later he changed to W., locating on lot No. 40, 3d Div., in the west part of the town, on the old County road, long since discontinued, running from W. to Temp. The site may still be seen in what has long been known as the Clark pasture. (See A. H. No. 70.) Mr. Hinds sold out in 1798, prob. returning to Shrewsbury or W. Boylston, as the Hist. of Gr. states. His chn., so far as known, were b. as indicated. Very likely there were others younger not found.

2. SARAH, b. prob. Shy.; d. Gr., March 26, 1819.
3. JAMES, b. prob. Shy.
4. BENJAMIN, b. prob. Shy.
5. DANIEL, b. Gr., March 31, 1790.
6. MILTON, b. Gr., June 2, 1791.
7. BETSEY, b. W., Oct. 19, 1794.
8. CLARACY, b. W., March 5, 1797.

HOAR.

This name represents a family, somewhat prominent and distinguished in the history of Mass. and of the nation, during the last half century. Its progenitor on these shores, according to tradition, was a wealthy banker of London, whose name has not been preserved and whose d. occurred soon after his arrival here. He brought with him prob. his wife, Joanna, who d. 1661, at Braintree, where it is understood he established himself; two daus., names unknown; and three sons:—Daniel², who ret. to Eng.; Leonard², who grad. at Harv. Coll., 1650, and was its President, 1672–1675; and John², a lawyer by profession, noted for his outspoken, manly independence. The last set. in Scituate ab. 1643, where he had a large landed estate on the So. slope of Mann Hill, but rem. at the expiration of 10 or 12 years to Charlestown, and thence to Concord. He became eminent for his legal acquirements and ability, his services being frequently called into requisition by the colonial authorities. It was he who acted as agent for the government in negotiating with the Indians for the liberation of Mrs. Rowlandson—a captive taken at the destruction of Lancaster, Feb. 10, 1676—and in securing that result three months afterward at "Redemption Rock." Everettville. A s. of John², named Daniel³, b. 1650, m. Mary Stratton and had 11 chn. Of these, one bore his father's name and was known as Lieut. Daniel⁴. He m. Sarah Jones, dau. John and Sarah, and had 7 chn., dying Feb. 8, 1780, a. 93. One of his sons, Jonathan⁵, grad. Harvard Coll., was an officer in the F. and I. War., and, after the conquest of Canada, was appointed by the crown, Gov. of Newfoundland, but d. before

assuming the robes of office. Three other sons, John⁵, Daniel⁵, and Timothy⁶, were represented in the history of this town as hereinafter set forth—the record beginning with the first permanently established here.

I. HOAR, DANIEL⁵, s. of Lieut. Daniel⁴ and Sarah (Jones) Hoar, was b. Concord, 1713 (?). He is said to have fitted for and entered Harvard, but for unkn. reasons did not graduate. He was in Nar. No. 2 very early, but prob. did not become a fixed resident till 1740 or 1741. He first located, Mr. Hudson says, on the verge of Beaver Swamp, lot No. 33, building a cabin 100 rods S. E. of the Dea. Miller (now Otis W. Sawin) place, but soon changed to No. 11, the hotel lot in the Center, which his f. seems to have owned at the time and which was conveyed to himself in 1744. He erected his dwelling towards the rear of the lot, on the rising ground a little eastward of Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, some tokens of its situation being visible to-day. He was one of the most capable, active, influential, and honored members of the new settlement. He served repeatedly as Assessor and as one of the Standing Com. of the township bef. it was incorporated, and as Assessor and Selectman for many years afterward. He was a frequent Moderator of town meetings. He was also much devoted to chh. affairs and active in the administration of the same. Animated with the military spirit, he was commissioned Capt. of a Co. of Infantry as early as 1762. The following is a copy of the inscription found upon the imposing headstone which marks the spot in the old burying ground where all that was mortal of him sleeps:

"In memory of Capt. Daniel Hoar, who d. Dec. 4, 1782, in the 70th year of his age. He was one of the first settlers in this town, where he underwent many hardships in settling this then inhospitable wilderness. He sustained many of the principle offices in town and military affairs which he discharged with faithfulness—he was kind and benevolent to y^e poor, y^e fatherless and widow, a friend to his country, a hater of tyranny, a lover of unity and peace but alas Death has called him out of this world into the other and has unstrung his nerves and his sinews are relaxed, his limbs not long ago y^e seat of vigor and activity lie down motionless and are crumbling into dust and has left his children and town to mourn his loss."

Capt. Daniel Hoar⁵ m. Rebecca, dau. of Joseph and Rebecca Brooks of Concord, Nov. 2, 1743. She d. Aug., 1764, a. 41. Chn.:

2. DANIEL⁶, b. Oct. 19, 1744; d. July 4, 1764.

3. SARAH³, b. Jan. 5, 1749; m. Stephen Miles; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 24, 1813.

4. REBECCA⁶, b. June 23, 1754; m. Jos. Holden, Jr., and Wm. Brown; no chn.; d. 1826.

5. STEPHEN⁶, b. Jan. 15, 1858; m. Hannah Wood; res. W.

6. CHARLES⁶, b. Sept. 5, 1761; d. young.

7. SAMUEL⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1763; m. Deborah Bigelow; res. W.

[5.] HOAR, STEPHEN⁶, s. of Daniel and Rebecca, m. Hannah, dau. of Dea. Nathan and Rebecca (Haynes) Wood, June 22, 1780. He received by will his f.'s home est., and like him not only carried on the farm but kept a public house. In or ab.

the year 1798 he erected on the front part of the lot the original portion of the present hotel, in anticipation, no doubt, of the construction of the Fifth Mass. Turnpike, soon to be opened to the public through what is now the Central Village. Mr. Hoar inherited something of his f.'s military spirit, and like him was honored with the commission of Capt. A man of good standing and of business ability, his fitness for public office was recognized and he was elected Assessor for several yrs. He d. in mid-life, Oct. 28, 1810, a. 52. His w.'s death unrecorded. Chn.:

8. REBECCA⁷, b. March 17, 1781; m. Wm. Dodd and Z. Whitman; res. W.; 3 chn.
9. POLLY⁷, b. March 6, 1786; d. May 4, 1796.
10. CHARLES⁷, b. April 29, 1789; m. Nancy Damon; res. N. Braintree.
11. HANNAH⁷, b. April 25, 1792; m. Samuel Richardson; res. Pn.
12. EZRA⁷, b. March 13, 1794; m. — Roper; res. Pn.; sev. chn.; d. insane.
13. SALLY⁷, b. April 30, 1796; d. Oct. 4, 1800.
14. JOSEPH⁷, b. May 28, 1798; d. Aug. 25, 1800.

Charles Hoar⁷ (10) was the f. of 7 chn., three of whom, Stephen, Timothy, and Charles S., had their name changed to Brooks. The latter of these, Charles S. Brooks, fitted for college at Williston Seminary, Easthampton, and grad. at Amherst and Andover Theological Seminary. He was ordained and installed Pastor of the Congl. (Trin.) Chh. in Tyngsboro', 1869, and has been settled successively at Deerfield, Putnam, Conn., and Fg., where he has had charge of the Rollstone Chh. since March, 1887.

[7.] HOAR, SAMUEL⁶, bro. of Stephen⁶, m. Deborah, dau. of Jabez and Deborah (Knowlton) Bigelow (pub May 21), 1780. He first set. in W. upon lot No. 18, owned by H. J. Patridge, which he inherited from the large est. of his f. Ab. 1800 he rem. to Springfield, Vt., where he remained a few yrs., his two youngest chn. being b. there. He subsequently abandoned his fam., who went to Antwerp, N. Y., where some of their descendants are still living. In his old age, poor and needy, he ret. from his wanderings, suing for compassion and help, and was kindly cared for by his s., Geo. A., with whom he finally d. Chn.:

15. DANIEL⁷, b. March 19, 1787.
16. SILVIUS⁷, b. July, 23, 1789.
17. REBECCA H.⁷, b. Dec. 12, 1791; m. Tilly Baldwin.
18. GEORGE A.⁷, b. April 20, 1794; m. Polly Bigelow; res. Ant.; sev. chn.
19. DEBORAH⁷, b. July 5, 1798; d. Sept. 21, 1800.
20. SAMUEL⁷, b. May 20, 1800.
21. FRANCIS⁷, b. Nov. 11, 1802.
22. CHARLES B.⁷, b. Jan. 28, 1805. He became somewhat known in political circles and rose to high honors. Was Rep. to Congress from the 23d N. Y. Dist. 1858-62. Late in life he rem. to Ceredo, W. V., where he d. Nov. 22, 1886, a. 81. He had his name changed to Hoard.

23. HOAR, JOHN⁵, bro. of Capt. Daniel⁵, b. Jan. 6, 1707, was one of the early proprietors of Nar. No. 2 and a some-time res. of the place, though prob. never rem. his fam. here. He m. (1) Esther Pierce of Lexington, by whom he had 2 chn., and (2) Elizabeth Coolidge of Watertown, by whom he had 10 more. He owned lot No. 13, located in the west part of the village, where J. Frank Howard now lives, and was reported to the Gen. Ct. in 1751 as a "permanent settler" on it. He was paid for work on road in 1757, at the rate of 2 shillings per day, as shown by the Treas.'s books. He seems to have res. in Lex. until

1754, when he and his est., with other persons, were set off to the tn. of Lincoln, in which place he subsequently had his abode. One of his sons, Samuel⁶, b. 1743, m. Susannah Pierce and had Samuel, b. 1778, a well-known lawyer of Concord, distinguished for his talents, moral worth, and unwavering adherence to the principles of impartial liberty as represented in the anti-slavery cause. He was the f. of the present Senator Hoar of Worc.

24. HOAR, JOHN⁶, another s. of John⁵ and Elizabeth Coolidge Hoar, was b. Lex., July 14, 1741. Bond, Mr. Hudson, and other historians and genealogists state that this John d. young, but the date of his death and age clearly prove them to be in error. He was, without doubt, a W. settler, occupying lot No. 13, owned by his f. as before mentioned, and being taxed as a resident as early as 1763, or soon after becoming of age. He m. Feb. 21, 1776, Abigail, dau. of Joseph and Patience White of Lanc., and had but 1 chd. He d. April 27, 1812, a. 70. She d. Feb. 5, 1830, a. 83.

25. HOAR, JOHN⁷, s. of the last named pair, was b. Feb. 10, 1777. He m. (1) Hannah, dau. of Edmond and Elizabeth (Holden) Barnard, June 1, 1799. She d. 1803 s. p., and he m. (2) Esther, dau. of Asa and Persis F. Kendall in Oct., 1806. He was a man of some note in town, holding subordinate offices and mingling freely in public affairs. He was also Dep. Sheriff of Worc. Co., but for some real or supposed misdemeanor he left the place stealthily and lived thereafter at Antwerp, N. Y. No chn. found.

26. HOAR, TIMOTHY⁶, s. of Timothy⁵ and Abigail (Brooks) Hoar of Concord, and nephew of John⁵ and Daniel⁵, before mentioned, was b. March 15, 1759. He m. Lydia, dau. of Nehemiah and Submit Hunt, and, after the birth of 1 chd., came to W. ab. 1790, locating on lot No. 101, where W. H. Benjamin now res., which his f. had owned since 1761. Mr. Hoar d. Jan. 10, 1832, a. 72. His wid. d. Dec. 1, 1836, a. 69. The table of his chn.'s names and births found below is given as it stands in the records of the town clerk:

27. WILLIAM⁷, b. March 27, 1789, at Concord, on Friday, at 7 o'clock p. m.
28. TIMOTHY⁷, b. July 24, 1791, on Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock.
29. JONATHAN⁷, b. Oct. 14, 1793, on Monday, about one hour before day.
30. LYDIA⁷, b. Feb. 8, 1796, on Monday, half-past 4 p. m.
31. LEONARD⁷, b. July 8, 1798, on Tuesday, about 1 o'clock in the morning.
32. ABIGAIL⁷, b. July 2, 1800, on Wednesday, about half-past 6 p. m.
33. IRA⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1803, on Tuesday, 15 min. before 10 in the evening.
34. LOUISA⁷, b. Aug. 22, 1805, Thursday, ab. 45 min. bef. 1 in the morning.
35. NEHEMIAH⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1808, on Thursday, ab. 12 o'clock at night.
36. JOHN⁷, b. March 3, 1811, on Tuesday evening, ab. half-past 10 o'clock.
37. HARRIET⁷, b. April 30, 1814, on Saturday, ab. 15 min. bef. sunrise.

[27.] HOAR, WILLIAM⁷, s. of Timothy and Lydia, m. Adah (Upton), wid. of Dr. Benjamin Marshall, Aug. 13, 1813. He lived a few years in town, then moved to Athol, and finally

located in Boston, where he d. July 28, 1826. His wid. d. Aug. 12, 1867. Chn.:

38. ADALINE A.⁸, b. W., Aug. 11, 1813; no more known.
 39. ALONZO H.⁸, b. W., April 14, 1815; m. Asenath Trafton; res. Leom.; d. July 20, 1872.
 40. GEORGE A.⁸, b. Athol, April 18, 1817; m. twice; res. Leom. and W.; 8 chn.; 1.
 41. SALLY⁸, b. Athol, Sept. 19, 1818; m. Abel Whitcomb; res. Bolton; 8 chn.; 1.
- Alonzo H. Hoar⁸ (39) had his name changed to George Lincoln, by act of Mass. Legislature.

[31.] HOAR, LEONARD⁷, bro. of the last named, m. Lucinda, dau. of Luther and Eunice (Gilbert) Sawin, April 9, 1823. He lived in the small house on the turnpike, a few rods below the crossing of the road leading from Wachusettville to the R. R. Station. He d. July 15, 1863, a. 65. His wid., Lucinda, d. at Ash. March 18, 1887, a. 87. Chn.:

42. AUSTIN⁸, b. Feb. 27, 1824; name changed to A. W. Sidney. (See below.)
43. JONATHAN A.⁸, b. Jan. 29, 1826; d. Oct. 20, 1843.
44. ALMIRA⁸, b. Aug. 21, 1829; m. Harrison Perkins; res. W.
45. HARRIET⁸, b. March 3, 1832; m. Francis Phillips.
46. JOHN⁸, b. Dec. 9, 1834; m. Lottie Willoughby; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; living.
47. LEONARD⁸, b. 1836; d. infancy.
48. LUCINDA⁸, b. May 9, 1839; m. Jacob Dinsmore; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; 1.
49. LEONARD N.⁸, b. Aug. 1, 1841; m. Addie Willoughby; res. Winch.; liv.
50. GEORGE⁸, b. Nov. 19, 1844; m.; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; living.

Austin Hoar⁸ (42), the oldest of the above family, went through a course of instruction at the W. Academy, and afterwards at the Eclectic Med. Coll. at Phila., graduating in due form. He subsequently attended the Med. School connected with Dart. Coll., where he received the degree of M. D. He has been a successful practitioner in W. Boylston, Sterling, and Fg., in which place he has res. for many years. He is known as Dr. Austin W. Sidney, having had his name changed by legislative enactment in 1847. He is a member of the Highland Baptist Church, and is highly esteemed, not only for his scholarly and professional acquirements, but also for his interest in church work, in humanitarian enterprises, and in whatever is conducive to the prosperity and well being of his adopted city. It was largely through his efforts and influence that the Home for Aged and Indigent Women was established a few years since, an institution of which he was first chosen and still remains the executive and official head. He m. (1) Esther Whitaker of W. Boylston, who d. after a few years, and (2) Mandana Walker of Sterling, still living.

[33.] HOAR, IRA⁷, another s. of Timothy⁶ and Lydia (Hunt) Hoar, m. Sarah, dau. of David and Huldah (Brown) Wyman, in 1833, and succeeded to the homestead of his f. There he res. till ab. the year 1850; when he disposed of the property to the late Wheeler Benjamin, and moved to Monticello, Minn., where, with one or two intermitting periods, he has since had his home and where he and his w. still live, far advanced in yrs. They have always been actuated by much of the philanthropic spirit, and have displayed an abiding interest in the various reforms and in all movements looking to the welfare and happiness of their fellowmen. They were among the earliest of the radical Abolitionists in W., as they were also among the active friends and promoters of the cause of temperance, of woman's elevation, of universal suffrage, and of international peace. Formerly they were members of the First Cong. Chh. of W., but in

later life they became sincere and earnest Spiritualists, in which faith they continue unto this day. Their chn. in full are:

51. ALFRED W.⁸, b. W., May 7, 1834; m. Josephine Johnson; res. Minn.; 2 chn.
52. MARY⁸, b. W., April 10, 1838; m. — Merritt; res. Cleveland; 6 chn.
53. WILLIAM⁸, b. unknown date; res. Monticello, Minn.; unm.
54. EMMA⁸, b. unknown date; m. James Davis; res. St. Paul; 1 chd.

Of the several chn. of Timothy and Lydia (Hunt) Hoar, the details of whose history have not been given thus far beyond the incidents of their birth, it may be proper to offer a few additional particulars. *Timothy*, the second s., m. and lived awhile in Athol, when he rem. to Worc., where he d. He had 4 chn. *Jonathan* never m., but res. in W. till his d., Nov. 15, 1824, a. 31. *Lydia*, the oldest dau., m. (1) Sullivan Barnes and had 4 chn. Her husband d. and she m. (2) Edward W. Kendall and had 4 more. She res. in W. and d. there, Feb. 18, 1873, a. 77. *Abigail* m. a Mr. Torrey and lived in Upton. *Louisa* m. George Harris, has had 2 chn., and is still living in W., where her home has always been. *Nehemiah* lived unm., was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion, and d. March, 1866. *John* m. Serviah —, and set. Greenfield; still living. *Harriet*, the youngest of the family, m. Andrew S. Chubb, but nothing further has been learned of her.

HOLDEN.

In the year 1634 Justinian Holden¹, aged 21, embarked at Ipswich, Eng., and crossing the sea was enrolled as one of the first proprietors of Watertown, in which place he permanently settled and finally died. Bond in his "History of the Watertown Families," thinks he was accompanied by his father, but gives no reasons for that opinion. In the absence of such reasons and of all authority of a kindred nature, it is assumed in this sketch that Justinian¹ was the first of the name in this country. He seems to have been a man of substance, owning not only the estate on which he settled in Wat., but a farm of 294 acres, bordering on Fresh Pond, at the present day one of the most charming and valuable tracts of landed property in the suburbs of Boston. There are no means of knowing whom Mr. Holden m. for his first wife nor when the event took place, but it is on record that she d. in 1672, and it is prob. that she left no issue. Soon after, though at a date not fixed, he m. for a second wife, Mary, dau. of Thomas Rutter of Sudbury, by whom he had four sons, one of whom was destined, by his own personal labors and influence and through his descendants, to play a most important part in the development and history of the town whose annals these pages record.

2. HOLDEN, JOSEPH², s. of Justinian and Mary, was b. at Watertown, Sept. 6, 1683. He m. Feb. 17, 1713-14, Abigail, dau. of Wm. Shattuck of Watertown, one of the original grantees of Nar. No. 2. He res. in the place of his nativity for 24 yrs., and there were all his chn. b. He rem. to this newly laid out township in the wilderness in the spring of 1737, as elsewhere stated, and became the first permanent settler here — his predecessor by a few days only upon the territory remaining not more than 10 or 12 yrs. (See Chap. V.)

Mr. Holden was no doubt for some time the most active, influential, and important inhabitant of the township. By him were its primary features largely shaped, and to him, more than to any other, was the success attending its founding and early growth due. He shared the esteem and confidence of his friends and coadjutors to an unusual degree, tokens of which were freely and liberally shown him as the years went on. He was

often called upon to represent the resident proprietors on important occasions at Boston and elsewhere, and was repeatedly elected to positions of responsibility and trust, the duties of which he discharged with an eye single to the claims of justice and right, and to the general welfare. When the church of the township was founded he was chosen the first Deacon,—a position which he occupied until summoned to higher tasks and more lasting honors. A man of good natural endowments, of excellent judgment, and great power of execution, he was also a man whose character was above reproach and whose reputation was without a stain. The inscription on the stone that marks the spot where his remains repose, is as follows:

“Dea. Joseph Holden, deceased Nov. 3, 1768, in the 84th year of his age. He brought his family into this town in y^e year 1737 being y^e second family; was y^e first deacon of y^e church gathered hear and faithfully discharged the duty the.eof. ‘Mark y^e perfect and behold y^e upright for the end of that man is peace.’”

Mr. Holden was twice m. His 1st w., Abigail (Shattuck), d. at an unknown date, and his second, Elizabeth, who survived him, d. 1784,—a notice of the event appearing in the *Mass. Spy* of Aug. 26. Chn., all by first w.:

2. JOSEPH³, b. Jan. 31, 1715-16; a useful and honored citizen; d. unm. Sept. 13, 1774.
3. STEPHEN³, b. Oct. 21, 1717; m. Abigail —; res. W.; d. Sept. 15, 1794.
4. ABIGAIL³, b. Oct. 19, 1719; prob. d. unm. before 1768; not named in f.'s will.
5. ABNER³, b. May 6, 1721; d. infancy.
6. ABNER³, b. Nov. 2, 1722; m. Elizabeth Darby; res. W.; d. Oct. 22, 1805.
7. JONATHAN³, b. June 6, 1725; d. young.
8. ELIZABETH³, b. April 26, 1730; m. John Rand; res. W.; chn.; d. Dec. 14, 1756.

Joseph Holden³ (2), oldest son of Dea. Joseph² and Abigail, was never m. He was much esteemed and highly honored as a man and citizen. Elected the first Treas. of W. after its incorporation, he continued in the office for several years, and for several years he was on the Board of Selectmen. He d. Sept. 14, 1774, a. 58. The following tribute to his memory appears under that date in the records of the town Clerk. “This day departed this life, Mr. Joseph Holden (eldest s. of Dea. Joseph Holden of W., dec'd), in the 58th year of his age. He was one of the first settlers of said town and underwent the difficulties and unavoidable hardships which are peculiar to settling new plantations. He had an uncommonly fine constitution, having for almost 40 years together never been confined to his bed by sickness one day till his last sickness, which did not confine him to his bed above 24 hours. He was strictly just and honest in his dealings and moderate in his demands, prudent in his living, decent but not extravagant in apparel, diligent in his calling, an enemy to idleness and profanity, and got his bread by the sweat of his brow. Having passed the prime of life without entering the married state he chose to remain so till he left the world. Having for many years been employed in the most respectable offices in the town [the duties of] which he discharged to the satisfaction of his constituents, but now suddenly called by the stroke of death from this to the invisible world to reap the reward (we hope) of a good and faithful servant in the kingdom of his Lord, leaving his friends and acquaintances in an evil day to mourn his loss.”

On his tombstone is an inscription commemorating in briefer terms the same essential qualities and fidelities as are here enumerated, but it need not be copied. He was undoubtedly a worthy son of a worthy sire.

[3.] HOLDEN, STEPHEN³, second s. of Dea. Joseph, came into town when scarcely 20 yrs. of age, and remained a permanent and reputable citizen of the growing settlement. Although not so prominent in public affairs as his brothers, he yet filled

the office of Selectman, was Representative to the General Court, 1788, and Delegate to the Convention for ratifying the U. S. Constitution held the same year, besides serving in other less important positions of responsibility. He m. Abigail, whose family name is not known, and set. on lot No. 40, the present Cutler place, which came into the possession of the family through his grandmother, Mary (Rutter) Holden, whose f. was a soldier in King Philip's War. He d. Sept. 15, 1794, a. 75. The chn. of Stephen and Abigail were:

9. SAMUEL¹, b. June 1, 1752; m. Sarah —; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. June 18, 1788.
10. STEPHEN¹, b. May 16, 1755; m. Elizabeth Miller; res. W.
11. ABIGAIL¹, b. March 23, 1757; d. May 17, 1757.
12. ELIAS¹, b. May 28, 1758; m. Olive Smith; res. W.
13. LEVI¹, b. Dec. 2, 1762; m. Hannah Knowles; res. W.
14. ELIZABETH¹, b. Oct. 30, 1766; d. Nov. 18, 1780.

[6.] HOLDEN, ABNER³, 4th s. of Dea. Joseph², accompanied his f. to Nar. No. 2 when 14 yrs. of age, grew up to manhood with the growing settlement and became, in his time, the foremost man of the tn. Able, trustworthy, honorable, he naturally gravitated to his appropriate place in the community, held important offices, and exerted a commanding and wholesome influence upon the private and public life of his generation. He was Clerk of the district and town of W. for many years, was repeatedly on the Board of Assessors, was nearly two decades a Selectman, and filled many other positions requiring good judgment, moral integrity, and executive ability, in all of which he was found faithful. For 20 yrs. he was the leading Magistrate of the tn., and his Record Book, detailing his transactions in that capacity, still preserved and in possession of his gt.-gd.s., A. H. Merriam of Temp., shows not only how busy a life he led, but how widely extended was his jurisdiction and with what deliberation, conscientiousness, and judicial impartiality he discharged the trying duties of that office. He took an active part in matters pertaining to the relation of the American colonies to the mother country, and most of the public documents drawn under private auspices or expressive of the town's interest in or attitude towards the great questions involved in the Rev. struggle, were the products of his pen. Though not possessing grace of diction or rhetorical and grammatical finish, they yet were strong and effective in their enunciation of the principles of civil and religious freedom, and in their declaration of the desires, intentions, and purposes of himself and of those for whom he wrote. His voice, uttered or unexpressed in speech, had the ring of true patriotism in it, and the cause of the colonies—the cause of liberty and independence, as opposed to British tyranny and usurpation,—found in him a brave and devoted champion, *sans peur et sans reproche*. He was a member of the First Prov. Congress in 1774, a Del. to the Convention called to adopt the State Constitution in

1779, and the first Rep. of the town to the Gen. Ct. established by that Constitution. Taking him as he was, in all the completeness of his nature, character, and life, Mr. Holden must be regarded as a good example of Christian citizenship. In the entire history of the town no one probably has excelled him in these regards, and no one has rendered his own generation and generations to come more essential and enduring service than he did. May his name and memory be cherished by an appreciative and grateful posterity as long as the town shall exist.

Abner Holden³ m. Feb. 25, 1752, O. S. (March 7, N. S.), Elizabeth, dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth Darby, who shared his fortunes more than half a century, and survived him some 7 yrs. He d. Oct. 22, 1805, a. 82. She d. Nov. 12, 1812, a. 83. Chn.:

15. JOSEPH⁴, b. Aug. 2, 1753; m. Rebecca Hoar; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 31, 1797.
16. RUTH⁴, b. Dec. 10, 1754; m. J. Fletcher and J. White; res. Gr.; 9 chn.; d. Oct. 20, 1804.
17. ELIZABETH⁴, b. Jan. 17, 1757; m. Edmund Barnard; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Dec. 5, 1844.
18. RELIEF⁴, b. Oct. 18, 1758; m. Thomas Farnsworth; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 25, 1776.
19. ABNER⁴, b. June 29, 1760; m. Elizabeth Howard; res. W.; no chn.; d. Jan. 19, 1824.
20. PHEBE⁴, b. July 30, 1762; m. Abel Wood; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. Feb. 7, 1839.
21. EZRA⁴, b. Dec. 5, 1764; m. Susannah Bigelow; res. W.
22. ABIGAIL⁴, b. Aug. 25, 1767; m. Nathan Merriam; res. W.; chn.; d.
23. LUCY⁴, b. Feb. 25, 1770; m. Joel Whitney; res. W.; chn.; d.

[9.] HOLDEN, SAMUEL⁴, s. of Stephen and Abigail, m. Sarah —, and had 1 posthumous chd. He was a shoemaker by trade and lived in W., but the place of his res. is unknown. He d. June 8, 1788. No record of w.'s d. or whereabouts afterward. Chd.:

24. LUCY⁵, b. Oct. 19, 1788; sev. guardians appointed at different dates; nothing further known.

[10.] HOLDEN, STEPHEN⁴, 2d s. of Stephen and Abigail, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Dea. Joseph and Mary (Williams) Miller (pub. May 23), 1780. He set. on lot No. 86, 2d Div., in the north part of the tn., his dwelling house standing near the site of the buildings belonging to John W. Carr, which were burned Aug. 27, 1887. This farm was a part of his f.'s landed property at the time of his decease. Stephen Holden d. Nov. 15, 1803, a. 48. His wid., Elizabeth M., d. Nov. 22, 1828, a. 71. Chn.:

25. JONAS⁵, b. Oct. 3, 1780; m. Lucy Brooks and Asenath Jackson; res. W.
26. SAMUEL⁵, b. Nov. 21, 1782; d. Nov. 29, 1804.
27. JOEL⁵, b. Sept. 24, 1784; d. same day.
28. SARAH⁵, b. Sept. 25, 1785; m. James Foster; res. Joy, N. Y.; 4 chn.
29. ESTHER⁵, b. Dec. 29, 1787; m. — Burnet; res. Newbury, Ohio; 5 chn.
30. LEVI⁵, b. Jan. 12, 1790; m. Mary Lincoln and — Whitney; res. N. Y.; 5 chn.
31. HANNAH⁵, b. July 4, 1792; m. James McIntire; res. Fg.; no chn.
32. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Feb. 1, 1795; m. Sherabiah Burnett; res. Ohio; 4 chn.
33. MARY⁵, b. July 10, 1797; m. Jonathan Farnsworth; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; d.
34. ELIZABETH⁵, b. March 15, 1800; m. — Farwell; res. Fg.; no chn.
35. ALMIRA⁵, b. May 15, 1802; m. Nathaniel Wheeler; res. W.

[12.] HOLDEN, ELIAS⁴, 3d s. of Stephen and Abigail, m. Olive Smith (pub. Dec. 11), 1783. She was niece of Joseph Smith of whom hereafter *in loco*. He received by will from his f. lot No. 19 (now Hobart Raymond's place), belonging to his uncle Joseph at his death, and prob. lived there till 1802, when he sold to Edmund Bemis and purchased the Lemuel Houghton farm at the head of the pond, now So. W., which he occupied through life and which descended to his s. Asa. He was a man of rare intelligence, common sense, and reasoning power, — a man, too, of character and good standing, deeply interested in religious questions, familiar with the Bible, interpreting it in support of the Universalist faith, in which he earnestly believed and of which he was such an able expounder on rational, moral, and scriptural grounds, that few men dared or cared to meet him in debate on the subject. He d. suddenly Feb. 4, 1838, a. 80. His wid. d. Aug. 21, 1839, a. 76. Chn.:

- 36. NATHAN⁵, b. July 12, 1785; m. Experience Clark; res. Hub.; d. March 7, 1838.
- 37. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Sept. 26, 1787; d. Jan. 12, 1796.
- 38. ASA⁵, b. June 8, 1790; m. Dolly Whitney; res. W.
- 39. ELIAS⁵, b. Sept. 30, 1793; d. Oct. 17, 1793.
- 40. OLIVE⁵, b. April 19, 1795; m. George A. Baker; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
- 41. STEPHEN⁵, b. Oct. 14, 1797; d. unm. June 15, 1851.
- 42. JOSEPH⁵, b. Nov. 25, 1799; d. May 8, 1801.
- 43. RUFUS⁵, b. May 7, 1804.

[13.] HOLDEN, LEVI⁴, bro. of the last, m. Hannah Knowles of Holden (pub. Aug. 31, 1794), and succeeded his f. on the home estate. He however sold it, Jan. 13, 1812, to Jonas Cutler of Lexington and left town. Whether or not he had more chn. than are named below is unknown. No report of his death. His wid. d. W., Sept. 4, 1853, a. 86. Chn.:

- 44. THOMAS⁵, b. Aug. 30, 1796.
- 45. THANKFUL⁵, b. Nov. 10, 1798.

[21.] HOLDEN, EZRA⁴, youngest s. of Abner and Elizabeth, m. (1) Susannah, dau. of Jabez and Deborah (Knowlton) Bigelow (pub. Oct. 24, 1788), and set. on what is now the C. B. Cooley place, the house prob. being built by him. It was the N. E. part of lot No. 1, the whole of which he received by will after his f.'s decease. He sold his property in tn. and went to Chesterfield, N. H., where he d. at an unfound date. His w. d. Feb. 21, 1798, and he m. (2) Elizabeth Brigham, dau. of Wm. Morean, Hub. She d. May 18, 1806, and he m. (3) Deborah (Bigelow), the deserted w. of Samuel Hoar, and the sr. of his own 1st w., who prob. survived him. Chn.:

- 46. RELIEF⁵, b. March 2, 1789; m. Thomas Kendall; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 2, 1875.
- 47. JOSEPH⁵, b. Sept. 4, 1790; d. Feb. 12, 1796.
- 48. LUCY⁵, b. March 4, 1792; m. Nathan Wood.
- 49. EZRA⁵, b. Oct. 10, 1793; d. Oct. 9, 1800.
- 50. SUSANNAH⁵, b. June 19, 1795; d. same day.
- 51. SUSANNAH⁵, b. Oct. 3, 1796.
- 52. JOSEPH⁵, b. July 16, 1800.
- 53. JUSTINIAN⁵, b. July 2, 1802.
- 54. EZRA⁵, b. Dec. 17, 1810.

[25.] HOLDEN, JONAS⁵, oldest s. of Stephen and Elizabeth, m. Lucy, dau. of Simeon and Lydia Brooks, Ash. (pub. May 11, 1806), and lived a few yrs. upon his f.'s place in the northerly part of the town, but afterwards moved to the center, building and occupying the house where his s. Handel now res. on Bacon St. His w. d. Sept. 11, 1808, and he m. (2) Asenath, dau. of Oliver and Mary (Pierce) Jackson (pub. April 8, 1814). He d. March 15, 1861, a. 83. His wid., Asenath, d. Jan. 27, 1875, a. 89. Chn.:

55. LUCY B.⁶, b. Aug. 23, 1808; m. Solomon Pratt; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. May, 1887.

56. SUSAN E.⁶, b. Dec. 11, 1816; d. July 20, 1820.

57. SAMUEL⁶, b. Feb. 3, 1818; d. same day.

58. BETSEY⁶, b. Dec. 11, 1819; { twins; both d. Dec. 12, 1819.

59. MARY⁶, b. Dec. 11, 1819; }

60. HANDEL⁶, b. Feb. 6, 1822; m. Betsey E. M. Chaffin; res. W.; no chn.; living.

61. ABIGAIL⁶, b. June 19, 1824; m. O. Bartlett Estey; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Jan. 19, 1876.

[30.] HOLDEN, LEVI⁵, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. Heman and Elizabeth Lincoln (pub. Sept. 13), 1816, by whom he had 3 chn. b. in W. After ab. 10 yrs. residence here he moved to Boston, and thence to N. Y. State. His w., Mary, d. and he m. (2) — Whitney. Chn. b. W.:

62. LEVI LINCOLN⁶, b. March 30, 1817. 63. STEPHEN MARSH⁶, b. Sept. 4, 1819.

64. MARY FARNSWORTH⁶, b. July 19, 1823.

[38.] HOLDEN, ASA⁵, s. of Elias and Olive (Smith) Holden, m. Dolly, dau. of Joshua and Vashti (Knight) Whitney, Gr. (pub. May 6, 1815), and remained upon the paternal homestead. He was one of the many farmers in town who supplemented the culture of the soil with coopering. To facilitate operations in this line of work, he utilized a small water power near his dwelling, thereby virtually taking the first steps in the development of the important industrial interests of what is now So. W., in the heart of which the old Elias Holden dwelling house still stands. He d. March 12, 1869, a. 78. His w. d. Sept. 10, 1856, a. 63. Chn.:

65. ELIZA⁶, b. Jan. 22, 1818; m. Jos. P. Howe; res. Gr.; dec'd.

66. SALOME⁶, b. Oct. 9, 1820; m. Artemas Merriam; res. W.; 6 chn.; living.

67. GEORGE⁶, b. May 30, 1825; m. Harriet F. Priest; res. W.

68. CALVIN⁶, b. Nov. 30, 1826; m. twice; res. W.

[67.] HOLDEN, GEORGE⁶, s. of Asa and Dolly W., m. March 13, 1854, Harriet, dau. of John H. and Nabby Priest of Marlow, N. H. He began business with his f. as a cooper, but soon changed to manufacturing chairs, going on by himself a few yrs. and then forming a partnership with his bro.-in-law, Artemas Merriam, under the name of "Merriam and Holden." The success of the enterprise was in proportionate measure due to his industry, energy, wise economy, and practical good sense. (See Chap. on Industries, etc.) He passed away after a brief illness June 21, 1873, a. 48. His wid. d. April 14, 1888, a. 62. Chn.:

- 69. CHARLES E.⁷, b. June 22, 1855; lives Marlboro'; unm.
- 70. ALICE M.⁷, b. Nov. 29, 1856; m. Charles M. Bacon; res. W.; 1 chd.
- 71. MARY JANE⁷, b. June 10, 1859; m. Louie Miller; res. W.; no chn.
- 72. FRANK S.⁷, b. July 21, 1861; m. Harriet Furber; res. Marlboro'; 2 chn.
- 73. WILLIAM S.⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1863; res. W.; unm.
- 74. ANNE⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1865; res. Boston; unm.

[68.] HOLDEN, CALVIN⁶, bro. of the last, is a chairmaker by trade, and has always lived within a few rods of the place of his birth. He m. Jan. 5, 1853, Charlotte T., dau. of Willard and Lucy P. Houghton, then res. W. She d. Aug. 24, 1861, a. 24. He m. (2) Oct. 16, 1862, Sarah M., dau. of Geo. C. and Susan H. Underwood of Hub. Chn.:

- 75. JENNIE E.⁷, b. April 15, 1855; m. Wm. E. Gilson; res. W.; 1 chd.
- 76. CARRIE A.⁷, b. May 4, 1863; d. May 10, 1865.
- 77. EDGAR A.⁷, b. March 27, 1865; d. April 16, 1865.
- 78. NELLIE A.⁷, b. June 1, 1866; d. July 30, 1866.
- 79. CORA F.⁷, b. July 28, 1867.
- 80. LILLIAN E.⁷, b. Dec. 21, 1869; m. Arthur C. Lombard; res. So. Ash.
- 81. LEON S.⁷, b. Dec. 22, 1872.
- 82. EDNA M.⁷, b. April 6, 1874.
- 83. BERTHA T.⁷, b. April 21, 1875.
- 84. CARRIE A. S.⁷, b. May 17, 1876.
- 85. WILLIAM R.⁷, b. Sept. 10, 1877; d. Sept. 16, 1877.
- 86. LOTTIE B.⁷, b. April 20, 1879; d. Sept. 11, 1879.
- 87. GRACE G.⁷, b. April 21, 1883.
- 88. INA O.⁷, b. Sept. 4, 1884.

89. HOLDEN, JUSTINIAN², s. of Richard¹ and Martha of Groton, was b. ab. 1680. His f., per. bro. of Justinian¹ and uncle of Dea. Joseph², came to this country in 1634, and was the head of an important branch of the family on this side the sea. Justinian² was in Nar. No. 2 very early, owning and perhaps improving lots No. 32, now the Otis W. Sawin place, and No. 61, the abandoned Samuel Merriam place, which he sold to Joseph Miller, May 20, 1740. He was accounted a resident here at that date, though no records of his family are to be found. He was a land surveyor, and was employed to lay out the 2d Div. lots of the township, the plans of which, drawn by him, are still preserved. He finally set. in Harvard.

90. HOLDEN, AMOS B., s. of Justus and Betsey (Minott) Holden, lineage untraced, was b. Barre, July 11, 1823. He is a painter and a horticulturist, residing on Bacon St. He became interested in military affairs at an early age, joining a local Co. in 1842, and rising by regular gradation to the office of Capt. He went into the U. S. service in 1861, where he was honored with a lieutenant's commission. (See p. 408.) Since the war he has been for some yrs. employed at the Sherborn Prison for women, as Supt. of out-door affairs, but has returned to W. to spend his remaining days. His mother d. W. Jan. 28, 1874, a. 87. He m. Nov. 18, 1847, Harriet A. L., dau. of Charles and Polly (Burgess) Smith, by whom he has had 2 chn.:

- 91. HARRIET J., b. Feb. 26, 1849; m. Edgar S. Gilson; res. W.; 1 chd.
- 92. FRANK M., b. May 23, 1855; m. Ella E. Ruggles; res. Hudson; 2 chn.

HOLMES.

The Holmes family of New England is said to trace its lineage to Thomas, a lawyer of Gray's Inn, London. David¹, one of his descendants, was in Dorchester ab. 1650. He had, as is understood, two sons, James² and John², who settled in Woodstock, Conn. From the latter came Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes in the 4th generation. It is believed that the former, by his w. Jane, was f. of Jacob³, b. 1692, who had 40 acres of land granted him in Worcester, 1718, which included the site of the present central R. R. station, where he located shortly afterward. Jacob³ m. Ruth, and had Jacob⁴, b. Dec. 26, 1735, who m. Elizabeth Gates.

1. HOLMES, JACOB⁵, s. of Jacob⁴ and Elizabeth, was b. Nov. 8, 1778. He obtained a good education as a basis for a professional career and studied medicine with Dr. Whiton of Winchendon. He began his practice ab. 1806, in W., but remained here only 5 yrs., going hence to Athol, where he remained some 20 yrs. or more. He then rem. to Hub., and after a brief residence there went to Leicester, where he d. Dec. 11, 1847, a. 69. He was held in high esteem wherever he lived, both as a skillful and devoted physician, and as a high-minded, exemplary citizen. He m. (1) in 1809, Thankful, wid. of Farwell Jones, and dau. of Rev. Asaph Rice, by whom he had 2 daus., b. after leaving tn.: *Catharine R.*, who m. Rev. Francis V. Pike of Rochester, N. H., and d. soon after; and *Elizabeth*, who d. in Leicester unkm., March 29, 1849. Both were very amiable women and were well known here in their day and generation.

HOLT.

Nicholas Holt¹, b. Eng., ab. 1602, a tanner, came from Ramsey, in the ship *James*, in 1635, landing at Boston on the 3d day of June, and settling the same year at Newbury. Through his s. Henry², and grandson James³, he was the progenitor of Barzillai⁴, who lived for a time in Andover and then went to that section of Marlboro' afterwards set off to Shrewsbury. His w. was Elizabeth Goss, by whom he had several chn.

1. HOLT, BARZILLAI⁵, s. of Barzillai⁴ and Elizabeth, was b. Marlboro', May 12, 1745. He was pub. to Lucy Williams, perhaps sr. of Isaac, in Nov., 1770, and seems to have been a resident here for a short period, where it is prob. some of his 8 chn. were b. He went back to Shrewsbury, remaining there several yrs., going thence to Winchendon, and later to Troy, N. Y. He was for a time in Canada, but returned to Plattsburg, N. Y., where he d. in 1819, a. 74. His wid. d. in the same place, 1823. He owned 2d Div. lots 59 and 60,—the Puffer and Warren places in Scrabble Hollow,—and very likely first built upon and occupied one of them. He also owned lands in the N. W. part of the town and the adjacent portion of Winchendon, now in and about the central village of Gr., which he sold to Seth Heywood in 1777.

2. HOLT, SILAS⁵, bro. of the last, was b. Shrewsbury at an unkn. date, and coming to W., m. Sarah, dau. Seth and Sarah

(Childs) Harrington, July 25, 1772. He seems not to have had "the fear of the Lord" in his heart, inasmuch as he was arraigned before T. Brigden, J. P., in Dec., 1773, "for swearing two profane oaths." He was a fifer in Capt. Noah Miles' Co., which went to Camb. April 19, 1775, and was in the service at Bennington in 1777. In 1780 he enlisted in the Continental Army for 3 yrs. He does not appear to have returned to W. after the war, but set. in Vt., dying at Sempronius, where one of his s. lived, in 1815. His w. d. Brandon, Vt. They had 4 chn. The birth of only 2 of them, however, are in W. records. The order in which they are named may not be correct.

3. SILAS⁶, m. Jerusha Bolton, June 2, 1796; no more known.

4. SARAH³, m. Benjamin Springer and — Sneather; no more known.

5. SETH⁶, b. April 25, 1776; m. Abigail Cheney; res. Sempronius, Vt.; 3 chn.; d. 1812 in war with Eng.

6. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Jan. 31, 1778.

Possibly there were others whose names have not come to hand.

HOSLEY.

It is supposed that James Hosley¹ (or Horsley), of Dorchester, a settler there in 1674, was the head of this family in N. E. He is said to have been b. May 1, 1649, and he d. July 9, 1677, a. 28. His w. was Martha Parker, who bore him James², Sept. 4, 1675, perhaps an only child. This James² went to Billerica as early as 1699, buying land in 1700 and settling upon it. He m. Maria —, and had a large family, of which three sons res. for a time in W. A daughter, Eunice³, m. James Laws of Billerica, and was the gt. gd. mother of the present James Harvey Laws.

I. HOSLEY, JOSEPH³, s. of James² and Maria, was b. April 26, 1709. He m. Hannah —, and had several chn., but no record of the place and date of their b. has appeared. He left Billerica ab. 1730 and came to W. in 1740. Where he lived in the interim is uncertain, perhaps at Groton, where he sold lands in 1741. He was a housewright by trade, which he worked at in connection with farming, brickmaking, dealing in lands, etc. He owned several different lots in the township at different times, and quite likely built the first houses on some of them. He was, moreover, one of the original proprietors of Nar. No. 6, Temp., though he prob. never res. there. June 25, 1741, he purchased lot No. 38, the Betsey Bacon place, which he occupied nearly 20 yrs. Four years later he bought the adjoining lot, No. 37, where Samuel Bridge now lives, and in 1760 disposed of both to Stephen Sawin of Worcester. He is next found in possession of lot No. 60, the Drury farm, on the east slope of Graves hill, which he sold, with ho. and bn., to his s. Wm. in 1771. The same year he bought lots 70 and 71, on the other side of the hill, of Michael Brigden, the Dr. Liverpool farm in its original form, where he remained till he conveyed it to Seth Heywood of Lancaster in 1777. He carried on brick-making there, having prob. the first yard in town, from which he furnished what was needed for a schoolhouse in 1773. His

name disappears from the records soon after he sold this place, and all efforts to follow him have proved fruitless. In 1780 Joseph Hosley of Shelburne sold land in the west part of the town, now Gr., to Jonas Baker. Prob. this was the same man or his s. of the same name. He had 3 sons and prob. 2 daus. as named below, perhaps other chn. not ascertained.

2. JOSEPH⁴, who m. Abigail Kendall, Lanc., and had lands, Pn., 1774 and 1778.
3. WILLIAM⁴, who m. Abigail Hayward, Conc'd, etc.
4. BENJAMIN⁴, a minor in the F. and I. War, 1759; vouched for by father.
5. SARAH⁴, who m. Aaron Sanderson, 1774.
6. MARIA⁴, who was pub. to Samuel Woodward, 1770.

[3.] HOSLEY, WILLIAM⁴, s. of Joseph³ and Hannah, m. Abigail, dau. of Joseph and Abigail Hayward, Concord, Feb. 10, 1771. He seems to have set. for a short time on the Drury place spoken of, but rem. to Lanc., where he res. in 1777. In 1794 he is at Ash., and in 1805 at Plymouth, N. H. Singularly enough all further traces of Joseph Hosley's family are lost.

7. HOSLEY, JOHN³, bro. of Joseph³, was owner of lands in the extreme north part of the town at an early date. In 1745 he sold the lot laid out in lieu of No. 78, which was "thrown up" by the one who drew it, to Benjamin Bellows, Jr., of Lunenburg. He was then "of Billerica," and the lot was the present homestead of Porter F. Page. It is very likely Mr. Hosley had improved and occupied the place, as there were a ho. and bn. on it. He owned other lands in the vicinity. He could have been here but a few years and is usually overlooked in tabulating the early settlers.

8. HOSLEY, BENJAMIN³, another bro. of Joseph³, was b. Billerica, May 6, 1721. He m. Lucy, dau. of Jonathan and Betty Herrick of B., ab. 1744, and soon after took up his abode in Nar. No. 2, remaining till after the incorporation of the town, when he rem. to Gill, where he has descendants now living. He does not appear to have owned real estate, but res. for some yrs. on lot No. 9,—the Jos. Lynde place, half a mile S. W. of the old Common, and subsequently on the Drury place, owned by his bro. Joseph³, and elsewhere. His career after leaving W. has not been traced. Chn.:

9. BETHIA⁴, b. May 30, 1745; m. Elijah Seaver.
10. BENJAMIN⁴, b. July 30, 1750; m. Ruth Risley and res. Gill.
11. SAMSON⁴, b. Aug. 28, 1753.
12. LUCY⁴, b. July 3, 1755; m. ——— Sawtelle.
13. MARY⁴, b. Aug. 13, 1757.
14. JONATHAN⁴, b. March 27, 1759.
15. JOSIAH⁴, b. March 15, 1761.
16. THOMAS⁴, b. 1763; m. Lucinda Stebbins.

HOUGHTON.

In the year 1635 John Houghton¹, a child 4 years of age, was brought to this country in the ship *Abigail*. It is not known with whom he came nor by whom he was cared for during his dependent years. The story is that he was s. of Thomas and Katharine of Lancashire, Thomas being bro. of Sir Richard of Houghton Tower, and that the lad was clandestinely expa-

triated by interested relatives, in order that they might secure certain estates or properties belonging by right of entail, or otherwise, to him. Whether or not he was ever himself cognizant of this, has not transpired. Upon arriving at maturity he appears at Lanc., in connection with his assumed-to-be cousin, Ralph Houghton, as one of the early settlers, becoming there an active and influential citizen. By his w., Beatrix, he had several chn., among whom were John², the first magistrate of the town, and Benjamin², who was b. May 25, 1668. The latter seems to have had a s., Benjamin³, b. ab. 1700, the father of three or four sons, who, with himself, figured somewhat in the early history of this town. He was a land surveyor, and with his s., Joel⁴, assisted in the laying out of the 3d Div. lots, receiving payment for the same from the Propriety treasury. He was also a real estate owner here, having purchased of Andrew Belcher the entire Gov.'s Farm of 500 acres, March 6, 1750. Two other sons, Benjamin⁴ and Ezra⁴, were here in 1758 as workmen on the highways. The former of these m. Priscilla Wilder. Aug. 11, 1757, had 1 chd., and d. very soon. His wid. m. as a 2d husband Seth Herrington. The latter, who bought most of his f.'s landed property in W., and prob. res. on it awhile, but became afterward a prominent man in L., was a loyalist at the breaking out of the Revolution, his large estate being confiscated therefor and he himself compelled to flee the country.

1. HOUGHTON, LEMUEL⁴, another s. of Benjamin³, birth date not discovered, m. Dinah Osgood, May 1, 1758, and lived for a few yrs. in the 2d Precinct of Lanc., now Sterling. They were admitted to the chh. there April 13, 1760, and dismissed to the chh. in this tn., whither they had previously rem., Jan. 8, 1766. They came here prob. in 1760, and located upon that part of the Governor's farm comprising the present village of So. W., which he had purchased of his bro. Ezra. In March, 1761, a road was laid out, beginning at Miles' corner and running past "the westerly corner of Lemuel Houghton's house and by Reuben Miles' house to the road that goeth from Reuben Miles' house to the meetinghouse." Mr. Houghton remained in town nearly 30 yrs., selling his farm Feb. 26, 1789, to Rev. Mr. Rice, who in turn sold it to Elias Holden, Nov. 9, 1802. He seems to have gone from W. to Ludlow, Vt., where he was living in 1817, beyond which date nothing has been learned of him or his family. Of his personal qualities little is known. He was not prominent in public affairs, though chosen Collector in 1780, but had some musical ability, having been appointed to "tune the psalm," for which service he received in due form "a vote of thanks" and possibly at times some more substantial consideration. There is no record of the births of any chn. in W., though it is reasonable to suppose there were such. The names of only 2 have been disclosed, and they were found in the diary of the first minister of the 2d precinct of Lanc., Rev. John Mellen, as follows:

2. OLIVE; bap. April 13, 1760.

3. ELIJAH; bap. June 8, 1760.

Less than two months intervene between these occurrences, and whether the two chn. were twins or otherwise must be left to conjecture.

4. HOUGHTON, WILLARD, s. of Abel and Rebecca Houghton, was b. Pn., May 24, 1787. He m. Lucy Powers of Leom. and lived some years in his native town. In 1850 he rem. to W.,

having purchased the George Adams place, near the then No. 10 schoolhouse, where he lived, with the exception of a brief interval, till his decease, Dec. 17, 1862. His family remained here till 1870, when they sold out their estate and went to Sterling, where his wid. d. Jan. 7, 1892. Their chn., though b. in Pn. with one exception, grew up and were educated in W. They were:

Unnamed, b. Sept. 17, 1834; d. Oct. 4, 1834.

CHARLOTTE, b. Dec. 19, 1836; m. Calvin Holden; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 24, 1861.

CHARLES, b. Aug. 17, 1845; m. Nelly Fry; res. Stg.; no chn.

EMMA, b. Aug. 20, 1850; m. Lorin B. Walker; res. Clinton.

HOWARD.

Samuel Howard¹, sometimes written Haward or Hayward, left London in April, 1635, on the *Elizabeth*, and came to Charlestown. He m. (1) Sarah Storrers, and with his w. joined the First Chh. in 1648. The next year he was made freeman, and in 1652 became a res. of Malden, where his w. d. and where he m. (2) wid. Elizabeth Sweetzer of Camb. He had 14 chn., two of whom had descendants in this tn. He d. in 1681, a. 68, leaving a will now on file at the Prob. Off. in E. Camb. His s. Jonathan², b. 1667, m. Elizabeth Lee, May 24, 1690, and had Jonathan³, b. June 8, 1691, who m. Mercy, m. n. unknown, and had 6 chn., 1719-33. These three generations all res. in Malden, whence their descendants went forth to aid in peopling other localities and to make for themselves a place in the history of the new world. The first to appear here in the order of time was

I. HOWARD, NATHAN⁴, s. of Jonathan and Mercy of Malden, b. Oct. 22, 1733. He m. for his 1st w., April 14, 1757, Lydia, dau. of Joseph and Mary (Sprague) Lynde, who was the mother of his chn. Mr. Lynde was an original proprietor of Nar. No. 2 and owned several home lots, one of them being lot No. 54, the late Thos. Merriam place, which he deeded, March 2, 1761, to his s.-in-law, who at once took possession of the same and occupied it through life. Mr. Howard appears to have been a man of character and enterprise, respected and honored by his fellow-citizens, who elected him Selectman for several yrs. and called him to other positions of public service. He was the guardian of several orphan children, and was frequently assigned the duty of settling the estates of his deceased neighbors and townsmen. His w., Lydia, d. ab. 1776, and he m. (2) Rebecca (Haynes), wid. of Dea. Nathan Wood, Oct. 27, 1779. A property agreement, signed by the two the day before marriage, is still preserved by the wid. of his gd.s., the late Nathan Howard. He d. April 5, 1820, a. 86. His w. d. March 20, 1819, a. 87. Chn.:

2. LYDIA⁵, b. Feb. 11, 1758; prob. d. young.

3. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Oct. 11, 1761; m. Abner Holden and Eph. Allen, Hub.; no chn.

4. RACHEL⁵, b. May 7, 1765; m. David Nichols; res. Gr.; 11 chn.

5. DINAH⁵, b. Sept. 18, 1766, say family records; nothing learned of her.

6. NATHAN⁵, b. Sept. 24, 1767; m. twice; res. W. and Barre, Vt.

7. JOSEPH⁵, b. April 29, 1769; m. Hannah Pollard; res. W.

8. PHEBE⁵, b. Dec. 16, 1770; m. Abraham Cutting; res. Pn.; chn.; d.

9. POLLY⁵, b. Aug. 28, 1774; m. John Baker; res. Barre, Vt.

[6.] HOWARD, NATHAN⁵, s. of the last, m. Tabitha, dau. of Wm. and Tabitha (Parker) Bickford, Gr., July 19, 1789. She d. 1792 (?), and he m. (2) Polly Everett, pub. Sept. 7, 1794. After a few yrs. he rem. to Barre, Vt., as did several other W. families ab. the same time, where he presumably soon after d. He had 3 chn. before leaving W., possibly others later on.

10. AMOS⁶, b. Aug. 29, 1789.

11. WILLIAM⁶, b. Feb. 6, 1792.

12. SUKEY A.⁶, b. Oct. 3, 1795.

William Howard⁵ (11) of this fam. went to Vt., with his f., when but a lad; m. Hannah Sargent and had Wm. Bickford Howard⁷, b. 1817, whose s., Walter E. Howard⁸, is now a Prof. in Middlebury Coll., Middlebury, Vt.

[7.] HOWARD, JOSEPH⁵, bro. of the last, m. Hannah, dau. of Wm. Pollard, Fg. (pub. April 5, 1794), and succeeded to his f.'s homestead property, which he occupied awhile, but subsequently rem. to lot No. 41, the Dea. Stearns estate, now occupied by wid. Nathan Howard, purchased of his kinsman, Benjamin Howard, March 17, 1804. In 1825 he sold the paternal farm to his s., Joseph. Numerous books and papers still extant show him to have been an exceedingly busy man in life, engaged much in public affairs, though not as a town officer. He was a member of the Sch. Com., 1820. He d. Oct. 28, 1830, a. 61. His wid. survived him 30 yrs., passing away June 24, 1860, a. 90. Chn.:

13. NATHAN⁶, b. June 2, 1795; m. Betsey Whitney; res. W.

14. SARAH⁶, b. Aug. 21, 1798; m. Charles Whitney; res. W.; sev. chn.; dec'd.

15. JOSEPH⁶, b. June 8, 1800; m. Mary Woodward; res. W.

16. HANNAH⁶, b. Dec. 2, 1803; d. unm., Oct. 17, 1883.

17. NANCY⁶, b. July 13, 1809; d. unm. June 12, 1878.

[13.] HOWARD, NATHAN⁶, s. of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of David and Elizabeth (Barron) Whitney, 1822, and set. on his f.'s estate, building on the north portion of it the house now occupied by his wid. and daus. A man of quiet, dignified manner, and of exemplary habits and character. Chn.:

18. MARIA⁷, b. May 16, 1824; is living, unm., W.

19. ELIZABETH W.⁷, b. July 24, 1827; is living, unm., W.

20. MARY⁷, b. Feb. 15, 1830; is living, unm., W.

21. N. PORTER⁷, b. Oct. 17, 1832; is living, unm., W. In war of Rebellion. (See p. 408.)

22. CALVIN⁷, b. April 10, 1835; d. May 14, 1865.

23. JOSEPH⁷, b. May 6, 1837; res. Kansas.

24. ALBERT⁷, b. May 23, 1845; m. twice; res. W.

[15.] HOWARD, JOSEPH⁶, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Abel and Tabitha (Beard) Woodward, and set. on the original Howard farm, but disposed of it in 1829, and rem. to the Woodward place, half a mile west of the village. He served as Selectman 3 yrs. and filled other subordinate town offices. His w., Mary, d. May 27, 1850, and he m. (2) Dec. 16, 1858, Anne, dau. of David and Miriam Perley, Gr., who d. Feb. 3, 1876, a. 64. He d. Jan. 20, 1881, a. 80. Chn.:

25. JOSEPH F.⁷, b. Oct. 6, 1826; m. Lizzie H. Coolidge; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.

26. ABEL W.⁷, b. Nov. 15, 1827; d. Dec. 13, 1828.

27. CHARLES⁷, b. July 20, 1830; m. Mary A. Sawtelle; res. Phila.; 2 chn.; living.
 28. MARY C.⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1832; d. Feb. 1, 1854; unm.
 29. WILLIAM⁷, b. March 14, 1834; m. Sarah Brandt; res. Phila.; 11 chn.; living.
 30. HARRISON⁷, b. Sept. 8, 1840; d. unm. Sept. 16, 1863; result of R. R. accident.

[24.] HOWARD, ALBERT⁷, s. of Nathan and Betsey (Whitney), is a prosperous farmer and enterprising citizen of the tn. He lives on lot No. 53, the Holden place, the buildings of which, elevated and commodious, are conspicuous for miles around on every hand. He m. (1) Mary Jane, dau. of Geo. W. and Abigail Davis, Pn., Nov. 13, 1874. She d. Oct. 12, 1882, a. 36, and he m. (2) Emeline M., dau. of Geo. W. and Lorena W. Davis of Shirley. Chn.:

31. ELIZABETH⁸, b. Oct. 5, 1875. 32. ALBERTA⁸, b. Jan. 11, 1878.
 33. SADIE E.⁸, b. Oct. 9, 1879; d. Oct. 6, 1882.
 34. NATHAN W.⁸, b. Oct. 9, 1881.
 35. Unnamed⁸, b. Sept. 29, 1882; d. Oct. 2, 1882.

[25.] HOWARD, J. FRANK⁷, s. of Joseph⁶ and Mary; m. Lizzie H., dau. of Harlow and Betsey Coolidge, Nov. 6, 1852. He is a painter by trade, but has for some yrs. been employed as teamster by the Nichols Bros. Chn.:

36. GEORGE L.⁸, b. Nov. 28, 1853; d. Sept. 28, 1854.
 37. MARION C.⁸, b. April 3, 1855; d. March 15, 1873.
 38. EDSON F.⁸, b. Nov. 2, 1857; m. Alice R. Norton; res. W.; 2 chn.
 39. NELLIE⁸, b. Oct. 20, 1859; unm.; res. W.

[38.] HOWARD, EDSON F.⁸, s. of J. Frank⁷ and Lizzie H., was b. Leom. Nov. 2, 1857. He m. June 29, 1886, Alice R., dau. of Peter and Emily (Carter) Norton, from Newport, Vt., and res. in W. He is a mechanic. Chn.:

40. HARRY NORTON⁹, b. Aug. 14, 1887. 41. HARLOW OSCAR⁹, b. March 19, 1891.

42. HOWARD, BENJAMIN⁵, a descendant of the Samuel¹ first named, by the following line:—Samuel², Samuel³, Benjamin⁴ and Abigail (Walton), was b. Malden in 1741. When 8 yrs. of age his f. moved to Holden, dying there in 1763, and bequeathing lands in W. to his sons, Joseph⁵ and Benjamin⁵. (See A. H. No. 20.) In that year, Dec. 20, the latter, already a resident of this town, bought the farm of Dea. Thomas Stearns, lot No. 41, and set. upon it. The house stood opp. the Cutler road in a now cultivated field, no tokens of its existence being preserved. He remained here nearly 30 yrs. and appears to have been an enterprising and useful citizen. Besides carrying on his farm, he had an interest in the so-called Raymond sawmill, which he run in connection with sev. copartners, as set forth in the Chapter on the town's industries. He sold his property in 1804,—the farm to Joseph Howard and his share in the mill to David Wyman, and rem. with his family to Grafton, Vt. Some of his descendants have attained distinction in the educational and literary world. The dau. of his s. Benjamin⁶ m. Prof. James S. Eaton, the author of a popular series of Arithmetics, and became

the mother of the late James H. Eaton, Prof. of Chemistry in Beloit College, Wis.; of W. W. Eaton, Prof. of Greek in Middlebury College, Vt.; and of a third s., teacher in Phillips' Academy, Andover. Mr. David H. Brown of the Educational Publishing House of Thompson, Brown & Co., Boston, is a gt.-gd.s. of Joseph⁵, already mentioned. Benjamin⁵ m. prob. 1774, Sarah Prouty of Spencer, and had:

43. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Oct. 31, 1775; m. Peggy Downs; res. W., etc.

44. SARAH⁶, b. Feb. 16, 1777; d. Feb. 6, 1796.

45. MOLLY⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1779.

46. BETSEY⁶, b. Feb. 19, 1790.

Possibly there were others, but the W. records report only these.

[43.] HOWARD, BENJAMIN⁶, s. of Benjamin and Sarah (Prouty) Howard, m. Peggy Downs, Fg., Feb. 4, 1802, the event being recognized by his election as Hogreeve the month following. He prob. went to Grafton, Vt. Chd.:

47. SALLY⁷, b. W., March 19, 1803.

HOWE. Several families of this name, sometimes spelled without the final vowel, have res. in tn. since its first settlement, but neither their descent from an immigrant ancestor nor their relationship to each other, if any existed, has been ascertained. The more important of them, concerning whom information has come to hand, are noticed in the order of their recognition in the records, beginning with the first, who used the shorter patronym.

1. HOW, JAMES, antecedents, birthplace, etc., unkn., came here soon after incorporation and bought Aug. 2, 1765, lots Nos. 71 and 72, 2d Div., the original Samuel Mosman farm, on which wid. Daniel Mosman now res. He made the first improvements there, erecting suitable buildings, etc., and there he lived some 8 yrs., when he sold to Peter Graves and disappeared as mysteriously as he had appeared. While here, Jan. 9, 1769, he was pub. to Mary Sherman of Grafton, by whom he had 1 chd.:

2. MANSFIELD, b. May 16, 1770.

3. HOWE, DANIEL, s. of Daniel and Eunice (Chase) Howe of Pn., was b. Dec. 5, 1776. Coming to W. with the opening of the century, he bought March 18, 1802, of Joel Wilder, lot No. 21, 2d Div., on Beech Hill, and there located for life. On the 15th of April, the same year, he m. Mary, dau. of Josiah and Priscilla Burge, Townsend, by whom he had 5 chn. He was a farmer and citizen of respectable standing, social in his tastes, and a good story-teller. He d. Feb. 8, 1853, a. 76; his w. preceding him to the realm of spirits, Aug. 11, 1848, a. 63. Issue:

4. MARY, b. July 26, 1803; d. Oct. 7, 1805.

5. LOUISA, b. Jan. 14, 1805; d. April 28, 1827.

6. MARY, b. Sept. 24, 1807; d. June 19, 1826; "one of society's brightest orna- [ments.]"

7. DANIEL M., b. Oct. 7, 1810; m. Harriet Woodbury; res. W.

8. FRANKLIN, b. Nov. 30, 1820; m. Martha L. Davis; res. W.

[7.] HOWE, DANIEL MILTON, s. of the last, m. Harriet Woodbury of Stoddard, N. H., June 19, 1834, and res. in town

through life. He d. March 29, 1848, and his wid. m. (2) March 31, 1852, Zenas Larned of Charlton, by whom she had 1 chd. She is still l. at Oxford. Chn. of Daniel M. and Harriet W.:

9. MARY L., b. April 10, 1835; d. the next day.
10. GEO. M., b. Oct. 16, 1836; d. Feb. 22, 1843.
11. ORANGE F., b. Sept. 13, 1838; d. Feb. 14, 1843.
12. JOSEPH G., b. Dec. 3, 1840; m. twice and has 1 chd.
13. GEO. M., b. July 23, 1844; m. Sarah M. Kendall; res. Lewiston, Me.; 3 chn.
14. ORANGE F., b. Dec. 22, 1846; m. Sarah E. Merriam; 3 chn.; d. May 17, 1882.
15. DANIEL M., b. Sept. 29, 1848; m. Ella F. McIntire and Mercie B. Fisher; 1 chd.

George Milton Howe (13), of the above family, prepared for college at Nichols Academy, Dudley, and grad. Amherst Coll., 1871. He studied theology at Andover in the class of 1874, and was ordained and installed Pastor of the Cong. (Trin.) Chh. in Pn. July 8, a few weeks after graduation. After 10 yrs. of faithful and effective service there he was called to Lewiston, Me., where he was installed Feb. 13, 1884, and where he is still engaged in the Master's service. He m. May 27, 1875, Sarah M., dau. of Jonathan and Sarah (Howe) Kendall of Lowell, the mo. of 3 chn., George Allen, Ralph Thurston, and Woodbury Kendall Howe.

[8.] HOWE, FRANKLIN, bro. of the last, m. Oct. 5, 1848, Martha L., dau. of Winslow and Lydia (Learned) Davis of Gr. His d. was caused by breaking through the ice and drowning, Dec. 20, 1861, after which his fam. rem. to Gr., where the surviving members still res. Chn.:

16. CHARLES F., b. Sept. 29, 1849; d. Aug. 27, 1875; unm.
17. VOLNEY W., b. Aug. 17, 1851; m. Mary T. Hill; 2 chn.; cashier of bank.
18. MARY L., b. June 6, 1854; d. Nov. 19, 1868.
19. LAURA E., b. Oct. 10, 1856; unm.
20. F. ISABELLE, b. Oct. 22, 1858; d. unm. Sept. 27, 1884.
21. MARTHA L., b. Sept. 16, 1861; d. unm. Dec. 23, 1884.

22. HOWE, JOSIAH, M. D., s. of Lemuel and Joanna (Richards) Howe of Milton, was b. March 9, 1771. The f. of Lemuel was Josiah, who is sup. to have been s. of Isaac, an early settler of Dorchester. On his mother's side Dr. Howe was a distant descendant of the historic Mayflower pilgrims, John Alden and Priscilla Molines (miscalled Mullens), whom Longfellow has immortalized in his inimitable poem entitled "The Courtship of Miles Standish,"—the line running thus: John and Priscilla Alden¹; Ruth Alden², who m. John Bass; Sarah Bass³, who m. Ephraim Thayer; Abigail Thayer⁴, who m. Dr. Benjamin Richards; Joanna Richards⁵, who m. Lemuel Howe, as before indicated. Inheriting, perhaps from his grandfather Richards, a predilection for the healing art, he studied medicine and pursued a long and successful professional career in Temp. With advancing age and somewhat impaired health he relinquished that field of labor and came to W., spending a few yrs. of his later life here, but finally ret. to Temp., where he passed away Jan. 24, 1843, a. 71. "He was a gentleman of the old school," writes his gd.dau., Mrs. Ellen R. (White) Scollard of Clinton, N. Y., "full of urbanity in character and manners, and is said to have been everybody's counsellor and friend."

Upon taking up his residence in W., Dr. Howe soon won the respect, confidence, and favor of the people by his culture,

refinement, dignity, moral worth, and interest in whatever was conducive to the general prosperity and welfare. He was called to serve the town as a member of the Sch. Com. in 1833, and in 1835 he represented his fellow-citizens and the community in the State Legislature.

Dr. Howe m. July 19, 1796, Lucy Barron, dau. of Dr. Benjamin and Lucy (Barron) Shattuck of Temp., and had a large fam. of chn., 5 of whom, 3 sons and 2 daus., lived to maturity. The elder of the daus., Lucy Barron Howe, b. Aug. 28, 1806, m. Dr. John White of W.; and the younger, Mrs. Rebecca Clark, spent several years of her widowhood at the home of her sr., Mrs. White, and is pleasantly remembered by some of the older inhabitants of the village.

23. HOWE, BENJAMIN, of Northboro', m. April 9, 1828, Sally, dau. of Samuel and Betsey (Kemp) Brooks of this town. They lived for a few years in Northboro', but ab. 1837 moved here and located upon her f.'s old place in the Minott neighborhood. There they lived till 1870, when they left for So. Gr., where he d. March 4, 1881, and she Feb. 11, 1880. Chn.:

- 24. ELERY C., b. N., June 3, 1829; m. Nancy Searle; res. Gr.; no chn. rep.
- 25. IVERS B., b. N., May 2, 1831; m. Jane Gill; res. Washington, D. C.; no chn. rep.
- 26. SAMUEL H., b. N., March 2, 1833; m. Melissa Wheeler; res. Fg.; 3 chn.
- 27. SARAH H., b. N., Oct. 31, 1834; m. Albion Wheeler; res. Ridgway, Ia.; no chn. rep. [p. 416.]
- 28. JOHN W., b. W., July 2, 1839; m. Sarah Cole; d. Andersonville prison. (See
- 29. George W., b. W., March 1, 1846; m. Hattie Wright; res. Gr.; 2 chn.

30. HOWE, HANNAH MINOTT, wid. of Rufus Howe of Rutland and Hub., and dau. of Jonathan and Hannah (Eastman) Minott of W., came to town with her fam. after the dec. of her husb. and took up her abode on Bacon St., where her dau., Mrs. Morse, now res. She d. May 8, 1860, a. 75. Chn.:

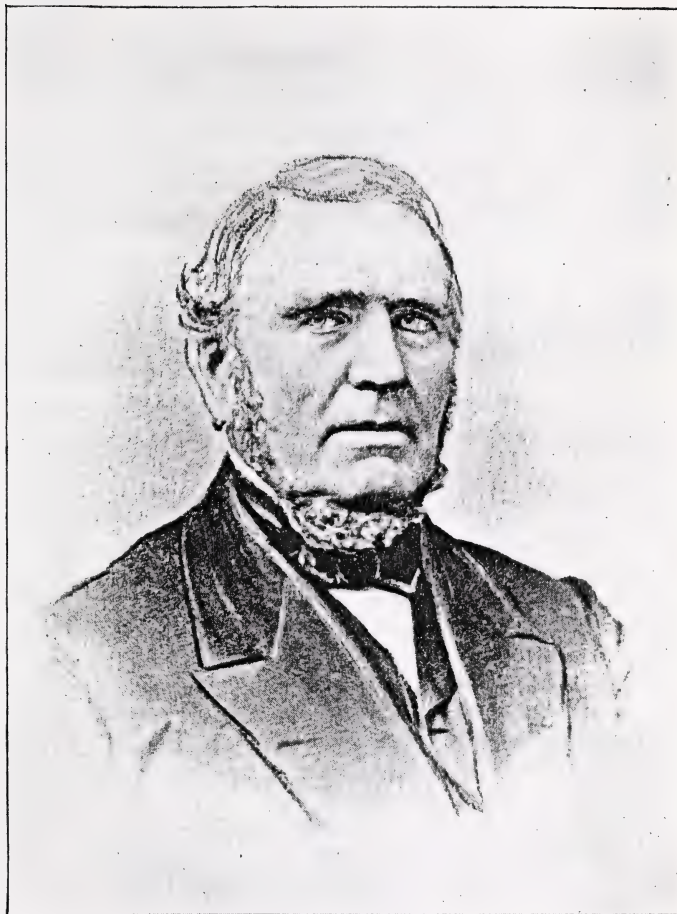
- 31. R. LEONARD, b. Oct. 26, 1819; m. Sarah Jane Chatterson; res. N. Y.; 1 chd.; d. 1888.
- 32. HANNAH A., b. May 6, 1821; m. William F. Peabody, etc.; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; 1.
- 33. JONATHAN M., b. Dec. 9, 1822; m. Rowena E. Knight; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d. June 2, 1887.
- 34. RUFUS, b. Sept. 27, 1824; m. Maria Gates; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. Sept. 18, 1881.
- 35. LUCINDA, b. Sept. 6, 1826; d. unm. Nov. 3, 1878.
- 36. SARAH, b. Nov. 16, 1828; m. Francis S. Morse; res. W.; 1 chd.

37. HOWE, NAHUM B., untraced, was in town during the forties, engaged in custom tailoring. He went hence to W. Gr., where he had for many years a ready-made clothing store, which he carried on in connection with custom work. Name of w. unkn., as is the date of their dec. While here they had 1 chd.:

- 38. JAMES WILMOT, b. May 3, 1847.

39. HOWE, LEROY A., s. of Addison and Ede (Ward) Howe, b. Ash., May 6, 1841, m. Ella M., dau. of James B. and Susan M. (Barnes) Wood, March 3, 1872. They have 1 chd.:

- 40. AGNES W., b. W., April 10, 1876.



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HON. CHARLES HUDSON.

HUDDLESTONE, WILLIAM, res. a few years, ab. 1815, on the Farwell Jones place, old Common, where he manufactured tape upon a machine of his own invention, as is said by some of the older people of the vicinity. He afterwards lived in the Mudge ho., now the home of Mrs. Joseph Woodbury. According to advertisement of Dep. Sheriff in *Worc. Spy*, he owned an interest ab. that date in certain real est. in Hub. Nothing further learned of him.

HUDSON.

The only family of this name ever residing in W. descended from Daniel Hudson¹, who came from Eng. in 1639 and set. in Watertown. After remaining there 25 years he removed to Lanc., where he, his w. Johanna, one dau. of his 11 chn., and two gd. chn. were massacred by the Indians in the bloody raid of 1697. Another dau. had been slain at the time of the destruction of the town, Feb. 10, 1676. He had a s., Nathaniel², a somewhat migratory character, who is believed to have been the f. of John³ of Marlboro', b. 1713. By his w., Sarah McAllister, the latter had Stephen⁴, b. June 12, 1761, who enlisted for three years in the Continental service, was captured by the enemy and sent to the "Jersey Prisonship," an engine in those days of British inhumanity and heartlessness, where he suffered incredible hardship and torture. He escaped barely with his life; m. Feb. 10, 1791, Louisa Williams, and spent his remaining days in his native town.

I. HUDSON, CHARLES⁵, s. of the last named, was b. Nov. 14, 1795. While yet a lad a desire for knowledge was awakened in his breast, prompting him to the use of all possible means for its acquisition. With his growing years he became interested in the subject of personal religion and in the great theological questions that were then beginning to agitate the public mind. So profoundly was he exercised and moved thereby that he resolved to consecrate himself to the work of the Chn. ministry and entered upon a course of preparation for the sacred calling. Completing his theological studies, he was ordained in 1819 and entered upon the duties of his profession in Danvers, but soon left that field of labor for a more congenial one in Conn. In 1824 he came to W. to take charge of the movement then recently organized here under the auspices of the Universalist denomination, with the leading idea of which he was in cordial sympathy. He retained the pastorate some 18 yrs., when he resigned his position in order that he might devote his time and energies to more acceptable pursuits. He remained in tn., however, several yrs. afterwards, removing hence to Lexington, where the last part of his life were spent.

Mr. Hudson was a man of superior natural ability, improved and enriched by self-discipline, industry, patient research, and a varied experience with men and affairs. His mind was cast in a logical mold, and having a taste for controversy, he sought to equip himself for valiant service in whatever cause he felt impelled to enlist. Though not an orator in the usual sense of that term, yet was he an effective debater, whose word carried weight and influence with it. Argumentative rather than per-

suasive, he addressed himself to the common sense and practical judgment of his auditors with marked results. Moreover, what he said had the backing of a strong and a manly character, which added great weight to his words, justifying the remark of Hon. Robert C. Winthrop concerning him: "He was one of the ablest and honestest men Mass. ever had."

Early in his ministerial career he became conspicuous as a controversialist upon questions of a religious and theological character, entering earnestly into discussions going on, not only in the general field of sacred polemics, but also within the narrower limits of his own ecclesiastical fellowship. A growing difference of opinion sprang up in the denomination to which he belonged upon the subject of Future Punishment, which awakened protracted and sharp controversy and eventually caused a disruption of the body and the formation, ab. the yr. 1836, of what was known as the "Restorationist Association." Mr. Hudson, as a firm believer in the doctrine that the consequences of sin extended beyond the event of death, was one of the leaders on that side of the question at issue. Not only in his own pulpit, but before the general public, he championed the cause in which his reason, his conscience, and his heart were profoundly enlisted. His published works, entitled "Letters to Hosea Ballou" and "Reply to Balfour's Essays," were valuable contributions to the literature of the subject, and monuments of his power of analysis and argumentation. Though overruled and put in abeyance for a time by those with whom he was associated, causing a rending of ecclesiastical affiliations, it is but just to Mr. Hudson and to the facts of history to say that the principles and views maintained by him long since became the accredited orthodoxy of the denomination within whose pale the conflict took place. A deep-read student of the Bible and of the history of religion in the world, he was, while in the ministry, a most earnest expounder and defender of the Christian faith, and to the end of his life a vigorous and valiant opponent of all forms of scepticism and unbelief.

Mr. Hudson was a devoted friend and champion of the cause of popular education and of the common school system of New England. He was an active supporter of Horace Mann in that great educational revival which swept over the State in the fourth decade of the present century, and in the introduction of normal methods into the management of schools throughout the Commonwealth. For this reason he was at an early day given a place on the State "Board of Education." He served for many years on the Sch. Com. of the town, and did much in that capacity and in other ways to awaken an interest in, and to promote the improvement and efficiency of, those primary institutions of learning established by law in all our towns. His influence for good in this behalf, both at home and abroad, can hardly be over-estimated.

From almost the beginning of his residence here, Mr. Hudson was a careful observer and student of public affairs, and became, as time went on, proportionally active in what he deemed the proper solution of questions of town, state, and national policy. His information upon those subjects, his sagacity in treating them, and his general reputation for integrity and honor, won the confidence and favor of his fellow-citizens, which resulted in his being called to positions of importance and responsibility in the public service. He was elected Rep. to the Gen. Ct. in 1828, and promoted to the Senate in 1833, in which capacity he acted for 6 yrs. He was a member of the Governor's Council from 1839 to 1841, and from 1841 to 1849 was in the lower chamber of the national Legislature. Later in life he received the appointment of Naval Officer in the Custom House, Boston, and Collector of Internal Revenue under the U. S. Government. Upon the dissolution of the Whig party, with which he had been identified, he connected himself with the Republican movement of 1856, which culminated in the great triumph of 1860, and the ultimate overthrow, by the fearful enginery of civil war, of the system of Am. Slavery,—a consummation in which he greatly rejoiced. In that political fellowship he continued to the end of his life.

Mr. Hudson left W. in 1849, and was thereafter a respected and honored citizen of the historic town of Lexington. As advancing age came slowly on and the consequent withdrawal from the more active labors of public life, he devoted himself to researches in general and local history, to the study of which he had given more or less attention for many years. As far back as 1831 he published a pamphlet "History of Westminster," containing 42 pages, to which the editor of the present work is indebted for many valuable facts, incidents, and suggestions, and in 1859 he delivered the address at the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the town, to which reference is repeatedly made in these pages. A few yrs. afterward he prepared an elaborate "History of Marlborough," his native place, and subsequently a "History of Lexington," each of them including an extended "Genealogical and Biographical Register" of the families of those towns, respectively. His devotion to historical studies and pursuits and labors germane thereto secured for him membership in the Am. Antiquarian Society, in the N. E. Historic Genealogical Society, and in the Mass. Historical Society, each of which bodies paid eloquent and fitting tribute to his name and memory at the time of his decease. In 1841 Harvard College honored him with the degree of A. M.

Mr. Hudson was twice married. First, July 21, 1821, to Ann, dau. of John Rider of Shrewsbury, who bore him 2 chn. and d. Sept. 19, 1829; and second to Martha B., sr. of Ann, who was his companion for more than 50 yrs.—a woman of much refine-

ment and dignity of manners and of rare excellence of character. Their home in W. was on the N. W. verge of the old Common, in the house commanding a wide and beautiful view now occupied by the wid. and dau. of the late Peter Wright. He d. May 4, 1881, a. 85. The chn. of Mr. and the two Mrs. Hudsons, all natives of W., were:

2. HARRIET WILLIAMS⁶, b. Aug. 18, 1827; d. July 26, 1828.
3. HARRIET ANN⁶, b. Sept. 13, 1829; m. H. M. Smith; 4 chn.; d. Sept. 26, 1875.
4. MARTHA BRIGHAM⁶, b. April 10, 1832; d. April 25, 1832.
5. CHARLES HENRY⁶, b. July 10, 1833; m. Frances H. Nichols; 5 chn.; living.
6. JOHN WILLIAMS⁶, b. July 10, 1836; m. Sophia W. Mellen; no chn.; d. June 1, 1872.
7. MARY ELIZABETH⁶, b. March 31, 1839; is living unm. at Lexington.

Of the chn. of Mr. Hudson who survived their infancy, *Harriet A.* m. Sept. 4, 1854, Henry M., s. of Rev. Stephen S. Smith, clergyman in W. for 7 years, and res. most of her life in Chicago, where she was greatly beloved; *Charles H.* grad. at Harvard Scientific School, 1854, as civil engineer, has been connected with the Illinois Central and other important railroads in the N. W. and South, being now in charge of a line in Tenn., m. Frances H. Nichols of Boston, Jan. 1, 1862, and has res. at or near Chicago, Ill., Minneapolis, Minn., Richmond, Va., and elsewhere as business interests required and allowed; *John W.* grad. Harvard College, 1856, studied law and was admitted to the bar 1862, was in the war of the Rebellion 3 years (see Chap. XX), m. Sophia W., dau. of Judge Edward Mellen of Wayland, March 25, 1865; and *Mary E.*, a most estimable woman, who remained with her parents, caring for and blessing them to the last expiring hour of their mortal lives, and now res. at the old home in Lexington.

HURD.

John Hurd¹ came from the mother country ab. 1635, and set. in Stratford, Conn. One of his chn., Ebenezer², had a s., Justus³, the f. of Shubael⁴ who was a resident of Lempster, N. H. He m. twice and had 13 chn., among whom was Smith⁵, much interested in military affairs, rising to the position and dignity of Col. of a Regt. in the "Old Granite State." His oldest s. by his w., Mehitable Emerson, was Yorick G.⁶, Surgeon of the 48th Regt. Mass. Vols., in the War of the Rebellion.

1. HURD, DANIEL E.⁶, another s. of Smith⁵ and Mehitable, was b. Lempster, Oct. 25, 1843. He was a soldier in the 9th N. H. Vols. during the civil war, and was present at the battles of So. Mountain, Antietam, and Fredericksburgh. After his discharge from the service he m., in 1864, Ruth W., dau. of Timothy and Mary (Field) Bruce of Lempster. After a brief res. in sev. localities they came from Topsfield to W. in 1883, and set. upon the original Garfield farm, in the east part of the town. The family has proved a valuable acquisition to the population and its merits have been duly recognized by the community. Mr. Hurd is a man of intelligence and culture, and is now serving on a second 3 yrs. term of office as one of the Board of Sch. Com. He is also Dea. of the First Cong. Chh. The chn. of Mr. and Mrs. Hurd are:

2. ARNO E.⁷, b. Lempster, N. H., Dec. 24, 1864; m. and res. W.
3. WYNNE B.⁷, b. Pennacook, N. H., May 20, 1868; d. May 8, 1870.
4. ALBERT G.⁷, b. Warner, N. H., Oct. 11, 1870; a grad. of Colby Univ., Me., 1892, and now studying medicine at Univ. of Pa.
5. ROY S.⁷, b. Topsfield, Jan. 5, 1878.
6. MARY B.⁷, b. Topsfield, Jan. 21, 1882.

[2.] HURD, ARNO EMERSON⁷, s. of the last, m. Feb. 28, 1888, Ella M., dau. of Otis and Sally R. (Merriam) Flagg, and has 2 chn.:

7. ROBERT O.⁸, b. Feb. 16, 1889.

8. RUTH L.⁸, b. April 20, 1891.

JACKSON.

The ancestral immigrant from whom descended the Jacksons of W. was Edward¹, a res. of Camb. in 1643. He lived in that part of the territory lying south of Charles River, afterwards set off and incorporated as the town (now city) of Newton. A bro., John¹, had preceded him in coming to this country by several yrs., and had taken up lands in the same general locality. They were the sons of Christopher Jackson of Whitechapel, London, who owned in the east part of the great metropolis a fine estate and bore an honorable reputation.

Edward Jackson¹ had m. in the mother country, and his w. accompanied him hither. During the passage she gave birth to a s., who from the circumstances of the case was christened Seaborn, which name, afterward changed to Sebas, remained in the family for several generations. This Sebas² was a soldier in the war with King Philip, and as such his heirs (he being deceased) had a grantee's right in Nar. No. 2, upon which his s. Edward³, in the first division of the township lands, drew lot No. 42, the former Job Seaver place, now owned by Warren La Geyet, which he sold in 1738 to Thomas Stearns of Watertown. The following year Isaac Jackson⁴, s. of Edward³, became a proprietor by purchase of lot No. 92, the late homestead of Lyman Allen, and there the family first had a local habitation in the township.

Isaac Jackson⁴ m. Ruth Greenwood of Newton, and had quite a number of chn., but it does not appear that he ever established a home for himself and family here, although he was reported to the Gen. Ct. in 1751 as having "a little land cleared," "the frame of a little house put up," and "two men at work" upon his lot. Three of his sons, however, subsequently set. in the township, and there are indications that he spent the last yrs. of his life with them, his w. having prob. passed away. He d. in 1765 or 1766, leaving a large property, mostly of lands here and elsewhere, which he disposed of by a will dated July 8, 1765 and preserved at the Probate Office, Worcester. He gave to his s. Josiah⁵ lots 92 and 93 (the Allen farm), with meadow lot No. 57 (in Gardner); to Edward⁵, No. 7, 2d Div. (on B. P. Hill), and 48, 3d Div. (prob. in Gr.), with all rights in the still undivided lands of the township; to Elisha⁵, 113, 2d Div., 37, 3d Div., and meadow lot No. 67 (all in Gr.); and to Isaac⁵, a 4th s., lands and other property in Newton, where he res. Josiah⁵, Edward⁵, and Elisha⁵ located in this town, the first and last on the lots received from their f., and Edward⁵ on lot No. 20, 2d Div., the original poor farm of the town. Elisha's homestead was on the borders of what is now So. Gr. Village, his dwelling occupying the commanding elevation at the N. W., known as Kendall Hill, a part of the estate of the late John R. Conant.

I. JACKSON, JOSIAH⁵, s. of Isaac⁴ and Ruth, was b. April 23, 1733, according to his tombstone, but in 1730, as stated in Jackson's History of Newton. He was permanently located here at the time of the town's incorporation, his name appearing in the records of a proprietors' meeting held Oct. 16, 1759, and again in the first list of tax payers under the newly organized District of W. His dwelling house stood on lot 92, a few rods south of the more commodious structure built by his s. Oliver, and recently occupied by Mr. Allen. Mr. Jackson was an industrious, frugal, prosperous farmer, becoming one of the largest land

holders of his day, and a substantial, worthy, and much esteemed citizen. He was twice chosen Selectman, and was called to other posts of public service. He m. Jan. 30, 1755, Mary, dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Patch) Darby, who survived him and who, in 1781, became the 2d w. of Jonas Winship. He d. Feb. 5, 1776, a. 42 or 45. She d. Feb. 4, 1823, a. 87 yrs., 11 mos., 7ds. The names of their chn. are all found in the W. records, but it is not certain that the oldest were b. in the place. They were:

2. MARY⁶, b. Sept. 11, 1755; d. young.
3. OLIVER⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1757; m. Mary Pierce; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. April, 1816.
4. RUTH⁶, b. July 31, 1759; m. Joseph Hapgood; d. Jan. 4, 1778.
5. SARAH⁶, b. April 12, 1762; pub. James Richardson, So. Hadley, May 30, 1784.
6. EUNICE⁶, b. Nov. 6, 1764; prob. d. young; no record.
7. ISAAC⁶, b. Aug. 30, 1768?; had guardian appointed 1783; nothing further.
8. MARY⁶, b. Nov. 30, 1768?; pub. John Chandler, Stg., Feb. 24, 1782.
9. LYDIA⁶, b. Feb. 13, 1771; m. Thomas Keyes, June 21, 1792.

[3.] JACKSON, OLIVER⁶, s. of the last, was pub. to Mary, dau. of John and Abigail (Beard) Pierce, Oct. 22, 1780. He succeeded to his f.'s estate, and, like his f., was one of the worthy yeomanry of the town. He built, no doubt for his own use, the large, commodious dwelling now standing on the premises. He d. April, 1816, a. 58, and his wid. m. (2) Col. Thaddeus Bond. She d. March 17, 1833, a. 72. Their chn. were:

10. POLLY⁷, b. Nov. 12, 1781; m. Adam Partridge; res. Gr.; 8 chn.; d.
11. ASENATH⁷, b. March 29, 1785; m. Jonas Holden; res. W.
12. JOSIAH⁷, b. Sept. 7, 1787; m. Nancy Bolton; res. W.
13. BETSEY⁷, b. Aug. 5, 1790; m. Jesse Warren; res. W., etc.
14. ISAAC⁷, b. Nov. 24, 1792; m. Betsey Brooks and Hittie Minott; res. Gr.; 6 chn.
15. ABIGAIL⁷, b. June 18, 1796; m. John Dunn; res. W., etc.; 13 chn.
16. HORACE⁷, b. April 1, 1800; prob. d. infancy.
17. ELVIRA⁷, b. May 28, 1802; m. Jonas Cutting; res. W.

[12.] JACKSON, JOSIAH⁷, s. of the last, m. (1) Nancy, dau. of Aaron and Dorcas (Winship) Bolton, pub. 1811, and set. in the west part of the town, on Winchendon road, last house. Late in life he rem. to Gr., where he d. Jan. 28, 1871, a. 83. His w., Nancy, d. Aug. 22, 1853, and he m. (2) wid. Sally (Richardson) Merriam of Gr., Jan. 4, 1855. She d. Feb. 25, 1869, a. 76. Chn.:

18. EMILY⁸, b. Nov. 16, 1812; m. Anson Ray; res. W.
19. ANN M⁸, b. July 3, 1814; m. J. Elliot Gates; res. W.
20. MARY M⁸, b. Feb. 6, 1817; m. Ezekiel F. Divol; res. W.
21. FIDELIA⁸, b. Nov. 26, 1819; m. Asa F. Smith; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
22. NANCY⁸, b. Jan. 29, 1823; m. Hiram Wood; res. Gr.; d. Aug. 27, 1843.
23. Unnamed dau.⁸, b. Oct. 11, 1824; d. Oct. 13, 1824.
24. HORACE⁸, b. March 11, 1831; d. March 21, 1853, unm.

25. JACKSON, EDWARD⁵, s. of Isaac⁴ and Ruth (Greenwood) Jackson, was b. at Newton, Sept. 3, 1739. He disposed of the lands left him by his f., and bought of James Ross, Nov. 6, 1766, lot No. 20, 2d Div., the old town farm on Beech Hill, where he spent his days. He was an enterprising farmer, of good character and standing, and was honored by his fellow-townsmen with the office of Selectman, and other places of

responsibility. He m. *Jemima*, dau. of *Jonathan* and *Jemima Trowbridge* of *Newton*, ab. the time of his coming here. He lived to be almost 91 yrs. old, his d. taking place Aug. 25, 1830. His w. d. Feb. 20, 1824, a. 79. Chn.:

26. *JOHN*⁶, b. July 19, 1767; m. twice; res. W.; d. Dec. 27, 1855.
27. *MILICENT*⁶, b. June 12, 1769; m. *David Cowee*; res. W. and *Troy*, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. Oct. 28, 1825.
28. *JEMIMA*⁶, b. Sept. 15, 1771; m. *Benjamin Brown*; d. 1804.
29. *EDWARD*⁶, b. Feb. 25, 1774; d. Dec. 15, 1776.
30. *OLIVE*⁶, b. May 9, 1776; m. *Samuel Bruce*; res. W.; no chn.; d. Aug. 18, 1859.
31. *ANNE*⁶, b. March 1, 1778; m. *Jonathan Whitman*; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 9, 1821.
32. *EDWARD*⁶, b. Aug. 8, 1780; m. *Dolly Brooks*; res. W.
33. *JOSEPH*⁶, b. Aug. 11, 1782; m. *Eunice Bolton*; res. Temp.; dec'd.
34. *RUTH*⁶, b. Aug. 26, 1784; d. Feb. 15, 1790.
35. *JOSIAH*⁶, b. March 28, 1787; m. *Betsey Kendall*; res. N. Y.
36. *LEVI*⁶, b. March 12, 1790; d. May 25, 1799.

[26.] *JACKSON, JOHN*⁶, s. of the last, succeeded to the estate of his f. on *Beech Hill*, but becoming embarrassed financially by the business irregularities of some of his fellow-townsmen whom he had too implicitly trusted, he sold out and rem., when past middle life, to the more humble home built by *Dr. Shumway*, near the *Winship* place. He was a man of more than average intelligence, natural ability, and good judgment, serving the town acceptably for many yrs. as an Assessor. He was also for 1 yr. a member of the Sch. Com. In religion he was an earnest Universalist. He m. (1) *Susannah*, dau. of *Jonathan* and *Susannah (Flint) Sawyer* (pub. April 11, 1792), who became the mother of his 8 chn. She d. Dec. 1, 1831, a. 60, and he m. (2) *Nancy*, wid. of *Benjamin Lynde*, pub. Sept. 27, 1832. He d. Dec. 27, 1855, a. 88. His wid., *Nancy (Larrabee) Lynde Jackson*, d. Feb. 8, 1869, a. 83. Chn.:

37. *RUTH*⁷, b. Oct. 23, 1793; d. May 15, 1805.
38. *SUSANNAH*⁷, b. Nov. 27, 1795; d. unm. April 27, 1828.
39. *NANCY*⁷, b. Jan. 11, 1798; m. *Henry Farwell*; res. West; d. Aug., 1887.
40. *HARRIET*⁷, b. Feb. 4, 1800; d. March 14, 1809.
41. *JULIA*⁷, b. Sept. 27, 1803; d. Sept. 17, 1805.
42. *JOHN V.*⁷, b. May 14, 1806.
43. *HARRIET*⁷, b. July 16, 1810; m. *Francis Coolidge*; chn.; d.
44. *JONATHAN M.*⁷, b. Dec. 15, 1812; m. *Betsey or Susan Taylor*.

[32.] *JACKSON, EDWARD*⁶, bro. of the last, m. *Dolly*, dau. of *Jonathan* and *Mary (Winship) Brooks* of *Fg.*, May 16, 1804, and located on a part of lot No. 23, 2d Div., half a mile N. W. of his f.'s, where his s., *Levi*, more recently resided. He d. Jan. 3, 1860, a. 79, and his wid. followed him to the land unseen July 15, 1863, a. 82. Chn.:

45. *LEVI*⁷, b. Oct. 10, 1804; d. Sept. 14, 1805.
46. *EDWARD L.*⁷, b. April 17, 1807; d. Dec. 1, 1824.
47. *LEVI*⁷, b. Dec. 14, 1809; m. *Jane Grant*; res. W.
48. *CYRUS B.*⁷, b. July 12, 1812; m. twice; res. *Boston* and *West*; sev. chn.
49. *DOROTHY*⁷, b. June 21, 1813; d. same day.
50. *DOLLY*⁷, b. Nov. 29, 1815; m. *Geo. W. Whitney*; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
51. *MARY*⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1818; m. *David Wyman*; 4 chn.; res. *Minneapolis*.

[47.] JACKSON, LEVI⁷, s. of the last, m. May 13, 1838, Jane, dau. of Enoch and Jane Grant, b. March 25, 1810, at Brunswick, Me., and spent his days upon the parental estate. He d. April 21, 1865, a. 55. His wid. d. Sept. 15, 1878, a. 68. Chn.:

- 52. EDWARD L.⁸, b. Aug. 25, 1839; d. unm. Feb. 2, 1869.
- 53. LEVI⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1840; m. Elvira M. Moulton; res. W.; 5 chn.
- 54. GEORGE WHITNEY⁸, b. May 7, 1842; d. Aug. 12, 1849.
- 55. ELIZABETH A.⁸, b. July 26, 1843; m. Alfred W. Ray; res. Gr.; 3 chn.
- 56. ALBERT C.⁸, b. Feb. 13, 1846; d. Aug. 10, 1849.
- 57. PARKER C.⁸, b. Feb. 29, 1848; d. Aug. 14, 1849.
- 58. MARTHA C.⁸, b. June 26, 1849; m. Frank Eaton; res. W.; 2 chn.
- 59. LAURA J.⁸, b. Sept. 10, 1853; d. Feb. 18, 1870.

[53.] JACKSON, LEVI⁸, of the last family, m. Elvira M., dau. of Joseph S. and Marion Moulton of Barre, June 20, 1874. He was a long-time invalid and d. Aug. 4, 1892. Chn.:

- 60. LEVI⁹, b. Dec. 5, 1874.
- 61. LEO E.⁹, b. July 11, 1876.
- 62. MARION J.⁹, b. Sept. 11, 1878.
- 63. JOSEPHINE E.⁹, b. Aug. 16, 1880.
- 64. ANNIE M.⁹, b. June 18, 1884.

65. JACKSON, SEBAS⁵ (sometimes spelled Sebez or Sebaz), was s. of Sebas⁴ and Abigail (Patten) Jackson, b. Newton, July 10, 1737. The f. was bro. of Isaac⁴, whose sons, Josiah⁵ and Edward⁵, have received due notice. Sebas⁵ came to W. in 1767 or 1768, and on Oct. 21, 1769, purchased of Nathaniel Merrill the long-known Ezra Wood place near the R. R. Station, now owned by Melville H. Warner. He m. prob. before coming here, Mary, dau. of George and Susannah (Greenwood) Bacon, of his native town, the sr. of Edward Bacon, who located near by a few yrs. afterward. So far as appears she d. childless, and he m. (2) Elizabeth Walton, March 16, 1778, the mother of the 4 daus. whose names are given below. Few facts concerning this family have been brought to light, the last descendant of it having long since left town, and the records relating to it being very meagre. Mr. Jackson d. 1803, a. 66. Mrs. Jackson d. Nov. 18, 1814, a. 70. Chn.:

- 66. MARY B.⁶, b. Oct. 21, 1778; no record found.
- 67. LUCY⁶, b. Jan. 25, 1780; m. William Rand; res. Rutland, Vt.
- 68. CATEE⁶, b. Feb. 12, 1782; m. Ezra Wood; res. W.
- 69. ESTHER⁶, b. April 16, 1784; m. Edmond Nichols; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d. early.

I. JOHNS, LEMUEL, and his w., Dolly, colored people, came into town ab. the year 1796, and established themselves in what has long been called the Clark pasture on the old Co. road to Temp. They were here as late as 1808, having been paid in that year for taking care of Betsey Child, a public charge. Of their history before and after their residence in the place not a trace has been found. Chn.:

- 2. SAMUEL, b. June 11, 1797.
- 3. BETSEY, b. Oct. 12, 1800.
- 4. PERSIS H., b. July 6, 1806.

JOHNSON, THOMAS, of Hub. was pub. to Tabitha, dau. of Samuel and Anne (Whitney) Merriam, Oct. 15, 1789. He had

already purchased of Daniel Walker the southerly part of lot No. 82 with a house upon it, now owned by Mr. Bolster, in the south part of the town, and there he ever afterward res. He was a Scotchman by nationality and birth—the first and last of his line in these parts. He was a quaint specimen of a man—a character *sui generis*. Of good mental ability, intelligent, well-read, he knew what was going on in the world and surpassed most of his neighbors and fellow-townsmen in general information upon men and affairs at home and abroad to the ends of the earth. His favorite topic of thought and comment was politics, in which his mind seemed to revel and delight. For many years he was a subscriber to the *Mass. Spy*, in the teachings of which on state and national questions and policies he was a stout believer. He is remembered by the older inhabitants of the neighborhood for his somewhat singular personal appearance, for his sociability, the fertility of his mental resources, for a somewhat rich vein of wit which gave sparkle to his ready conversation, and for a seemingly exhaustless fund of anecdote, wherewith to embellish whatever he had to communicate. Many of his stories were derived from his old world observation and experience, in the recital, if not in the origination of which, his own creative imagination was often thought to play an important part. Examples of his facility of expression and aptness of repartee are given in the earlier pages of this work. He d. Feb. 14, 1846, a. 89; his w. d. July 12, 1836, a. 75. His estate passed to the possession of Thomas Kendall, who, with his faithful w., Relief, had kindly cared for the aged couple for many yrs. previous to their decease.

JONES.

In 1635 John Jones, Simon Willard, and others purchased of the Indians a tract of land 6 miles square, and made a beginning of what was afterward the town of Concord, a few settlers, among whom was Rev. Peter Bulkley, being already occupants of the territory. Mr. Jones¹ seems to have been at that date a res. of Camb., as he was some years later. He finally rem. to the new township, where was b. in 1656 his s., John², who m. Sarah Farwell, and prob. set. in what was afterward Weston. His s., also named John³, b. Jan. 6, 1690, m. Anne Brooks, and had Ebenezer⁴, b. Dec. 8, 1726, who m. Mary Wheeler and first located at Bedford, but rem. to Pn., 1762, where he became a somewhat prominent citizen, and was known as Capt Ebenezer. He d. 1779.

I. JONES, EBENEZER⁵, s. of Capt. Ebenezer⁴ and Mary (Wheeler) Jones, was prob. b. at Bedford before his parents rem. to Pn. He m. Nancy, dau. of Richard and Mary (Abrahams) Boylston, April 15, 1788, and soon came to W., living prob. for a time in the Marsh house on the Common, where he had a store, being paid in 1792 for supplies for the poor of the town. In 1793 he bought land with water power on the north branch of the stream flowing into the present C. S. Merriam

reservoir and built a small mill for the manufacture of oil, the foundations of which may still be seen near the easterly road to the No. Common. About that time he went to live in the house recently occupied by James R. Bruce, where he remained till ab. 1800, when he sold his mill to his bro., Farwell, and left town. He was in trade in Boston for a time, then rem. to Charlestown, S. C., where he d. some years afterward. Mr. Jones was an able, enterprising, public-spirited, high-minded citizen, commending himself early to the regard and confidence of his fellow-townsmen, who honored him with repeated tokens of their favor. Though a res. here for only a dozen years, he was eight times elected Selectman, was repeatedly the Mod. of annual town meetings, and was sent as Rep. to the Gen. Ct. in the yrs. 1798 and 1799. He was the owner of 20 shares in the Fifth Mass. Turnpike, and held the office of Assessor under the U. S. Gov. in 1798. His chn., so far as known (though he prob. had others), were:

2. REBECCA B.⁶, b. W., Jan. 19, 1789.

3. ANN⁶, b. W., March 17, 1790; d. April 26, 1793.

4. EBENEZER⁶, b. W., July 23, 1796.

5. JONES, FARWELL⁵, bro. of the last, was b. Pn., Jan. 24, 1775. His first appearance in W. was as a school teacher in 1793, afterwards becoming a permanent res. Sept. 28, 1800, he m. Thankful, dau. of Rev. Asaph and Thankful (Clough) Rice, and engaged in trade in a part of the house built for him by his f.-in-law, which stood near the present residence of Alonzo D. Bolton on the Common. The construction of the turnpike lessened the importance of that locality as a business center, and in 1801 he purchased land at the corner where that thoroughfare diverged from the Main St., and built what was long known as the Bradbury store and dwelling, recently occupied by Jerome Whitman, transferring his family and goods thither, and occupying the premises till his death, Dec. 31, 1804. His wid. m. Dr. Jacob Holmes as previously stated. Mr. Jones left 2 sons, whose names, however, are not found in the W. records. They are understood to have gone West, perhaps with their uncle, Dr. Asaph Rice, and to have spent their days there. They were:

6. MARCUS⁶.

7. FARWELL⁶.

8. JONES, EBENEZER⁶, was s. of Timothy⁵ of Pn., a bro. of the two just named, birth date unkn. He also came to W. as a teacher as early as 1813, and m. Sept. 21, 1820, Cynthia, dau. of Joel and Abigail (Holden) Whitney. He was associated in business with his bro.-in-law, Farwell Cowee, as stated on page 592, and was a sharer with him in whatever of folly, recklessness, or dishonor was involved in the financial catastrophe, which brought their partnership to an end and caused much trouble to the community at large. Mr. Jones, however, remain-

ed here a few yrs. after the disaster occurred, but eventually followed his old associate to Troy, N. Y., where he kept a hotel awhile, and where he d. Aug. 18, 1836, a. 43. His wid., Cynthia, d. April 7, 1891, at the advanced a. of 92. They had but 1 chd.:

9. JOHN WALTER⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1821; m. Harriet Carter; res. Troy; 1 chd.; dec'd.

JOSLIN.

The family to which this name in various forms (Jocelyn, Joselyn, Jostlin, Joslyn, etc.) belongs, is said by antiquarians to have originated, as an English household plant, with a Norman knight, a descendant of Charlemagne, who crossed over from France in the time of Edward the Confessor, 1042-1066. Branches of the primary Joslin stock have appeared at different dates in different counties of the mother country, but to no one of them has the American offshoot been traced. A new line therefore begins with the first known immigrant to these shores, Thomas Joslin¹, husbandman, a. 43 yrs., who, with his w., Rebecca, 5 chn., and a maid-servant, Eliza Ward, sailed from London in the *Increase*, April, 1635, and landing here took up his abode in Hingham, of which town he was one of the early proprietors. In 1654 he and his s. Nathaniel², then 27 yrs. old, were residents of Lancaster, and subscribed to what was known as the "Town Covenant." The s. m. Sarah King, by whom he had 9 chn. After the destruction of Lancaster by the Indians in 1676, he mov. to Marlboro', where he d. in 1694, leaving among other sons, Nathaniel³, who by his w., Hester Morse, had Abraham⁴, b. April 30, 1704. He m. Jemima Snow of Woburn and had 18 chn. One of these, Ebenezer⁵, m. Lydia Church of Rutland, and set. in Hub. His s. Jonas⁶, b. 1770, m. Barbara Dalrymple of Coleraine, who had been a teacher in the celebrated school of Miss Willard in Troy, N. Y., and went to Hinesburg, Vt., where 5 chn. were b. to him, and where he d. Dec. 1, 1814.

1. JOSLIN, MILTON D.⁷, s. of Jonas and Barbara, was b. May 22, 1812. His f. dying when he was 2 yrs. old, he was adopted by Dr. Dudley, for whom he had been named. After a few yrs. the Dr. d. and Milton lived with his bros., Jonas and William, till he was 21, learning meanwhile the trade of harness and trunk making. After engaging in business a few yrs. at Brandon, Vt., he rem. ab. 1840 to W., where he spent the rest of his days. He m. wid. Susan (Cowee) Doty, July 6, 1841, and res. in the Central Village. He was an active, energetic man, interested in public affairs, fertile in suggestions concerning matters of public policy, and a ready speaker at town meetings. He d. Oct. 12, 1882, a. 70. She d. Feb. 10, 1879, a. 69. Chn.:

2. FRANK DOTY⁸, b. April 27, 1842; d. March 5, 1849.

3. HELEN DUDLEY⁸, b. Nov. 8, 1843; she m. Oct. 25, 1870, John Oxcroft Tansley, a native of Nottingham, Eng., b. Sept. 29, 1844, and at present a practicing physician and surgeon in N. Y. City. They have had 3 chn.: Frank D.⁹, b. W., July 29, 1871; Infant dau.⁹, b. Windsor Locks, Ct., Nov. 13, 1872, and d. the same day; John Randolph⁹, b. W. L., Dec. 16, 1873, and drowned while bathing in Agawam River, near Springfield, July 30, 1885.

1. KELTY, BARTHOLOMEW, b. in the old country, came to this tn. ab. 40 yrs. ago, and having m. Maria Minns, also from

Ireland, set. on the Everett place, in the extreme westerly part of the village, where they still res. Chn.:

2. JOHN B., b. June 23, 1857; m. Jennie M. Burns; res. W.
3. FRANK E., b. Jan. 29, 1859; m. Ada M. Baker; res. W.
4. JAMES, b. Jan. 4, 1862; res. W. unm.
5. LIZZIE, b. July 18, 1866; m. Charles Cyphers; res. Boston; no chn.
6. CHARLES, b. March 20, 1869; res. Ash. unm.

[2.] KELTY, JOHN B., s. of the last, m. Jennie M., dau. of John and Mary Burns of Webster, Sept. 23, 1883, and has had 4 chn.:

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| 7. ANNA M., b. Nov. 9, 1884. | 8. FRANK A., b. June 19, 1886. |
| 9. CORA B., b. Nov. 28, 1887. | 10. CHARLES J., b. June 26, 1890. |

[3.] KELTY, FRANK E., bro. of the last, m. Ada M., dau. of Nathan and Eliza E. (Burnap) Baker, May 30, 1886, and has had 1 chd.:

11. LESTER J., b. Nov. 19, 1886.

KENDALL.

This name as a family designation is said to have been "derived from the town of Kendal in Westmoreland, Eng.," which was so-called "from the river *Ken* on which it is situated, and *dale*—the dale on the river *Ken*. It is of ancient origin, dating back as far as 1284, when Hugh de Kendall was a judge of one of the courts of his time, and has had numerous honorable and honored representatives in the country where it first came into use, among whom were eminent divines, physicians, scientists, and members of Parliament.

The earliest record of any of the family this side the Atlantic appears in an old registry of the town of Woburn, and reads as follows: "Ffrances Kendall, alias Miles, and Mary Tedd (Tidd) maryed 24th of 10th mo. [24th Dec. O. S.], 1644." This Francis Kendall¹ came to N. E. ab. 1640, locating first in Charlestown, but very soon taking up his permanent abode at Woburn, as did also his bro. Thomas, who is supposed to have accompanied him on his voyage hither. The "alias" is thought to have been used when he set sail for America, in order, for some unkn. reason, to prevent identification, the real name being assumed again when the occasion for its temporary concealment had passed away. Of the 9 chn. resulting from the marriage referred to, one, Thomas², by his w., Ruth, had Samuel³, "a very active, enterprising, public-spirited man," says one of his descendants, Oliver Kendall of Prov., R. I., "often employed in town business, and much engaged in promoting both the civil and religious prosperity of Woburn." He was interested, too, in military affairs, received a commission as Lieut. from Gov. Belcher in 1732, and was known far and wide by his contemporaries as Lieut. Kendall. He m. Elizabeth —, and had 15 chn. Of his 10 sons, one, Obadiah⁴, set. temporarily in Nar. No. 2, afterwards returning to Woburn; another, Samuel⁴, owned lands here, and may have been in the place somewhat, but finally located at New Salem, where he was ordained minister of the town, Dec. 15, 1742; three, James⁴, Josiah⁴, and Ezekiel⁴, set. in that part of Lanc. which is now Sterling; two, Timothy⁴ and Jonas⁴, set. in Leom.; two, Jesse⁴ and Seth⁴, in Athol; while the other d. 1732. Of the 5 daus. two m. in Woburn and remained there; two m. and lived in Lanc., and one was unm.

A physical peculiarity has characterized this family for centuries, perhaps from the very beginning, to wit: an occasional excess in the number of the extremities of the hands and feet:—an extra finger or toe, always annoying and often the cause of much discomfort and suffering. An old English

medical work says that from "as long ago as the fourteenth century this mark has been traced," "sometimes almost disappearing and then coming forth again in full vigor." So it has been in this country, and so it is likely to be to the end of time.

1. KENDALL, OBADIAH⁴, s. of Lieut. Samuel³ and Elizabeth, was b. Sept. 3, 1725. He was in these borders as early as 1751, when he was established on lot No. 39, the homestead of the late Calvin Baker. No doubt he made the first improvement of the premises, and erected the first buildings thereon, which were mentioned in the deed of sale by which he conveyed the property to Richard Baker of Lanc., June 4, 1755. Four months later he m. Elizabeth, dau. of John Miles of Concord, whose bros., John and Noah, lived near by, and prob. went about the same time back to Woburn, becoming one of its leading citizens. He was active and influential in the chh., of which he was made Deacon. He had a large family of chn., but none of them seem to have been b. here. He d. Nov. 19, 1811, a. 86. His wid. d. Oct. 3, 1822, a. 86.

2. KENDALL, JOSIAH⁵, s. of Josiah⁴ (the bro. of Obadiah⁴) and Tabitha (Wyman) Kendall, was b. May 3, 1738, prob. in Lanc. (Sterling). He m. March 26, 1760, Esther Sawyer of that place, a woman "of vivacity and remarkable vigor." A few years later he came to W. and located upon lot No. 31, 2d Div., on Beech Hill,—the former Ezra Darby place. (See A. H. No. 31.) This was one of the several tracts of land owned in town by his f., who conveyed it to him by deed, Sept. 13, 1768. He was here as early as 1763, a road being laid out by his house in March, 1764. He was a mason by trade, though his principal occupation was, no doubt, farming. He returned to Sterling, then Lanc., ab. 1773, when his name disappears from the records as res. tax payer. He d. Jan. 10, 1816, a. 77. His wid. d. April 13, 1832, a. 94. His chn., several of whom must have been b. in W., were:

3. JOSIAH⁶, b. Sept. 24, 1760; m. Lucy Wright; res. W. and Stg.; 8 chn.; d. Nov. 1, 1823. [27, 1839.]
4. ESTHER⁶, b. Sept. 24, 1763; m. Nathl. Houghton; res. Stg.; 6 chn.; d. Jan. 5.
5. LUTHER⁶, b. Sept. 19, 1766; d. Jan., 1779.
6. LUKE⁶, b. Sept. 19, 1767?; d. infancy.
7. LUCY⁶, b. April 16, 1770; m. Joel Wilder; res. W., Gr., Lanc.; 4 chn.; d. Dec. 2, 1857. [25, 1849.]
8. TABITHA⁶, b. Dec. 29, 1775; m. Nathan Waite; res. Stg.; 4 chn.; d. May 9.
9. EZRA⁶, b. May 27, 1778; m. Betsey Jewett; res. Stg.; 3 chn.; d. Oct. 7, 1828.

[3.] KENDALL, JOSIAH⁶, s. of the last, m. Lucy, dau. Nathaniel Wright of Stg., ab. 1786, and set. on Lot 21, 2d Div., the former Daniel Howe farm. He was here, however, but a few yrs., selling his place to his bro.-in-law, Joel Wilder, June 20, 1800, and returning to Stg., where he d. July 13, 1826, a. 65. His w., Lucy, d. Nov. 1, 1823, a. 62. Chn.:

10. LUCY⁷, b. Aug. 10, 1787; m. Silas Roper; res. Stg.; 2 chn.; d. July 1, 1860.
11. SUSAN⁷, b. Aug. 3, 1789; m. Otis Stearns; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 20, 1815.
12. JOSIAH⁷, b. April 24, 1792; m. Sally Wilder; res. Stg.; 6 chn.; d. Jan. 19, 1860.

13. LUTHER⁷, b. Aug. 9, 1794; d. unm. March 1, 1859.
14. MARK⁷, b. March 15, 1797; d. unm. Dec. 12, 1823; "much beloved."
15. ESTHER⁷, b. Feb. 11, 1799; d. unm. Nov. 10, 1868.
16. HARRISON⁷, b. March 23, 1801; d. unm. July 21, 1815.
17. MARTHA W.⁷, b. March 31, 1806; m. Jedediah Kidder; res. Stg.; 2 chn.; 1.

18. KENDALL, HEMAN⁵, s. of Josiah⁴ and Tabitha, and bro. of Josiah⁵ (1), was b. May 20, 1740, at Lanc. (Sterling), and m. June 20, 1765, Mary, dau. Thomas and Dorothy Fairbanks of the same tn. He came here soon after and set. on a farm composed of lots 76 and 122, 3d Div., for many yrs. the Seaver homestead,—a part or all of which his f. had owned for some time before. He was a resident ab. seven yrs., selling his place March 12, 1773, to Norman Seaver of Shrewsbury, in whose family it remained ab. a century. He returned to his native tn., where he d. June 9, 1800, a. 60. Mary, his wid., d. July 18, 1827, a. 83. His chn., the first four b. in W., were:

19. ABEL⁶, b. June 19, 1766; m. twice; res. Gr. and N. Y.; 12 chn.; d. May 29, 1825.
20. MOLLY⁶, b. April 21, 1768; m. Jeremiah Burpee; res. Stg.; 6 chn.; d. April 7, 1801.
21. LUCY⁶, b. June 8, 1770; m. Theodore Gibbs; res. Bridgeton, Me.; 11 chn.; d. Nov. 22, 1865.
22. DOLLY⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1772; m. Fortunatus Eager and Helon Brooks; res. Stg.; 8 chn.; d. March 8, 1835.
23. EUNICE⁶, b. June 11, 1774; m. Manasseh Houghton; res. Stg.; 9 chn.; d. Feb. 28, 1857.
24. SUSEY⁶, b. Dec. 11, 1776; m. Nathaniel Smith; res. Dana; nothing further.
25. NATHAN⁶, b. Aug. 11, 1779; m. Lydia Emerson; res. Alfred, Me.; 6 chn.; d. Oct. 4, 1869.
26. AZUBAH⁶, b. April 3, 1781; m. Theophilus Eveleth; 4 chn.; d. Feb., 1839.
27. HEMAN⁶, b. July 22, 1783; m. Submit Tuttle; res. Stg.; 8 chn.; d. Aug. 28, 1857.
28. BETTY⁶, b. June 16, 1785; d. unm. April 28, 1821.
29. PETER⁶, b. March 12, 1787; m. Susannah Keyes; 1 chd.; d. April 18, 1827.

Heman Kendall⁶ (27) and Submit had a s. Josephus⁷, who m. Huldah E. Parmenter and res. Sterling. The latter had three sons, who have been residents of W. during the last few years. Their names are Eddie J.⁸, George F.⁸, and Frank H.⁸, all of whom are understood to have been married, but the names of no chn. appear in the records. A bro. of these, Charles A.⁸, d. here, March 4, 1885, a. 37.

30. KENDALL, SILAS⁵, prob. grandson of Thos.³ or Eleazer³, brothers of Lieut. Samuel³, who set. Fram., his father being ———⁴, came to W. from that tn. and m. Eunice Conant, Dec. 21, 1767. He seems to have lived in the west part of the town, on what is now the Hinds place, Gardner, awhile, also in the extreme No. part, near Thomas Laws. He remained here but a few yrs. Was in Southboro', afterward, and later still in Belchertown. He d. Fram., July 25, 1826. Had one child while here, prob. others later, of whom nothing has been learned.

31. MARY⁶, b. Sept. 11, 1768.

32. KENDALL, EDWARD⁶. Of the several s. of Lieut. Samuel Kendall³ of Woburn, Timothy⁴, as before stated, located in Leom. By his w., Esther, he had Edward⁵, b. Sept. 18, 1743, who m. Prudence Hartwell of Lunenburg, Feb. 12, 1769. Of this union was b. Edward⁶ of W., an only s., Sept. 17, 1775.

When a young man he learned the cabinetmaker's trade, and, coming here soon after attaining his majority, purchased in partnership with John Miller, afterwards of Worc., the Silas Perry place, now owned by Charles Eaton. There was a shop on the premises, and the two commenced business in it. Mr. Miller soon withdrew from the enterprise, and Mr. Kendall went on by himself till 1816, when, having come into possession of the adjoining estate through his w., he sold his interest in the Perry property to Rebecca Brown and rem. thither, res. there through life. He bought land on the opposite corner and erected a shop, to which his business was transferred, and in which his sons continued the same kind of manufacture and kindred pursuits after his decease. Mr. Kendall was an active, useful, highly esteemed, and highly honored citizen of the tn. He held the office of Clerk for 32 successive years; was Justice of the Peace and a sort of semi-lawyer to his fellow-townsmen, advising them upon legal and financial matters, making out conveyances, settling estates, etc. Few men have ever lived here more respected, more trusted, and more beloved than he. His w. was Polly, dau. of Samuel and Abigail (Moor) Gerrish, the banns between them having been pub. Sept. 20, 1801. Late in life he became afflicted with a cancer on the face, with which he suffered much and of which he d. March 20, 1846, a. 70. Polly, his w., d. Oct. 31, 1844, a. 72. Chn.:

33. SAMUEL G.⁷, b. May 2, 1804; m. Mary W. Fowle; res. W.; no chn.; d. June 26, 1885.
34. EDWARD⁷, b. April 20, 1807; m. twice; res. W. and Worc.; 5 chn.; d. Jan. 9, 1890.
35. MARY⁷, b. July 14, 1809; m. Franklin Jones; res. Ky.; 6 chn.; d. April 1, 1884.
36. GEORGE⁷, b. June 5, 1811; m. twice; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. March 5, 1855.
37. CHARLES⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1813; m. twice; res. different places; 3 chn.; d. March 19, 1873.
38. SYLVANUS⁷, b. Oct. 23, 1816; m. Emily M. Chase; res. W. and Worc.; 4 chn.; living.

[33.] KENDALL, S. GERRISH⁷, oldest s. of the last, had a fever sore in his youth, which made him a cripple for life. In early manhood he was a successful teacher but afterwards engaged in trade. He was an excellent penman, well fitted in this respect for the office of Town Clerk to which he was elected after the d. of his bro. George. He served as P. M. from 1861 to 1875. He acted as agent of the Fitch. Fire Ins. Co., and was a director during his later years. He was also one of the early "Masons" in town, being made a member of Aurora Lodge, Temp., 1828. He m. Mary W., dau. Augustus and Susanna (Brown) Fowle of Woburn, but they had no chn. He passed away June 26, 1885, a. 81; his wife preceding him to the land of souls, Jan. 30, 1882, a. 74.

[34.] KENDALL, EDWARD⁷, second s. of Edward⁶ and Polly G., was trained to the painter's trade and, in company with his bro. George, who was a cabinetmaker, under the firm name of "E. and G. Kendall," succeeded to his father's business, ex-

tending it in various directions and enlarging its scope and lucrativeness. He was one of W.'s most useful and worthy sons. Interested in whatever seemed to him calculated to promote both the private and public prosperity, well-being, and happiness, and active in town and church affairs, his influence was as healthful and elevating as it was widespread and powerful. A successful teacher in his early manhood and a friend of education always, he seconded every practicable effort to enhance its interests, and had a helping hand and a stimulating word for all who were striving to gain it. A lover of mankind, he was hospitable to the various reform movements of his time,—Anti-Slavery, Temperance, Peace, and other good causes finding in him a conscientious and active supporter. A devoted member of the first Cong. Chh. he labored earnestly in its behalf, serving it for many years as Deacon, as Superintendent of its Sunday school, and in other effective ways. Holding steadfastly to his own religious convictions, he was yet tolerant of other beliefs and was happy to recognize the Chn. spirit and character wherever he saw tokens of them in a consecrated life—a life animated by love to God and man.

Mr. Kendall shared to a large extent the regard and confidence of the community. He was frequently called upon to preside at town meetings, doing so with ease, dignity, intelligence, efficiency, and impartiality; held the office of Selectman five years, and represented the town in the State Government in 1855. In 1857 or 1858, he rem. to Worc., where he was esteemed and honored as he had been here. He was elected to a seat in the city government and to a Deaconship in Union Church. In peace and competence, blessed by a devoted and loving family and by a host of steadfast friends, sustained by a cheerful trust in the eternal Providence, his last years passed serenely by, and he was gathered at length to the great garner-house of faithful souls "in full age, as a shock of corn cometh in its season."

Dea. Kendall m. (1) July 2, 1833, Pamela, dau. of Luke and Asenath (Winship) Bigelow, who was the mother of his chn. She d. Sept. 10, 1852, a. 47, and he m. (2) Sept. 15, 1853, Mary Ann, dau. of Peter and Betsey Blanchard, Charlton, the wid. of Sanford Wood, Worc, who survives him. He departed this life Jan. 9, 1890, a. 82. Chn.:

39. MARY ASENATH⁸, b. April 18, 1835; d. April 18, 1839.

40. EDWARD FRANKLIN⁸, b. June 29, 1839; res. unm. in Boston.

41. CHARLES B.⁸, b. Dec. 30, 1840; m. Anna G. Pike; res. Worc.; 3 chn. (See p. 417.)

42. HENRY J.⁸, b. Dec. 18, 1842; d. unm. April 19, 1863. (See Chap. on Rebellion.)

43. WILLIAM F.⁸, b. March 20, 1845; d. Oct. 4, 1849.

[36.] KENDALL, GEORGE⁷, bro. of the last, was, like him, a worthy s. of a worthy parentage. Interested and active in affairs of public importance, whether related to the town, to the schools,



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to the church, to moral reform, or to general society, he was a model citizen, an excellent type of a man, illustrating and honoring a Chn. profession by a Chn. life. Of cheerful and sunny disposition, a genial companion, a wise counsellor, a steadfast friend; earnest, warm-hearted, true,—a modern Israelite “in whom was no guile,”—he won the esteem and love of all who knew him, and, at the time of his death was, no doubt, the best known and most universally respected man in the community. Upon the decease of his f. in 1846, he was chosen to succeed him in the office of Town Clerk, a position which he continued to fill while he lived, and in the midst of the discharge of the duties of which he was stricken with death. (See page 466.)

George Kendall⁷ had two wives, having m. (1) Sarah, dau. of Asa and Bethia (Winship) Miller of W., and (2) Harriet, dau. of Abraham and Elizabeth (Witherby) Howe of Marlboro'. The first had 3, the last 2 chn. Sarah d. in W., July 31, 1844, a. 32; and Harriet in Worc., June 22, 1880, a. 67. Chn.:

44. MARY ASENATH⁸, b. June 8, 1839; unm.; res. Worc.; a most estimable lady.

45. GEORGE M.⁸, b. Dec. 13, 1840; m. Wid. Schermerhorn; res. N. Y. City; chn.

46. ASA G.⁸, b. Dec. 6, 1842; d. unm. Minneapolis, Minn.

47. FRANCIS⁸, b. Aug. 17, 1846; d. Aug. 28, 1846.

48. SARAH L.⁸, b. Aug. 6, 1853; d. Worc., July 27, 1867.

[37.] KENDALL, CHARLES⁷, bro. of the last, was of a quiet, gentle disposition, studious habits, and a deeply religious spirit. He fitted for College in the W. Academy and grad. at Amherst, 1839. He studied theology at Andover and entered the ministry of the Cong. Orthodox Chh., preaching at Hinsdale, N. H., So. Royalston, Petersham, Bernardston, Auburn, Mass., Windham, N. Y., and perhaps elsewhere. His vacations were mostly spent in W., and he was often here at other times, so that his connection with the place of his birth and its people was never wholly severed. He was a worthy ambassador for Christ, and excelled in the pastoral department of his office, and as a tender, sympathetic counsellor and friend in times of bereavement and distress. He was twice m.: (1) to Maria Howe of Marlboro', the sr. of his bro. George's second w., who d. of cancer at Petersham, leaving 2 chn.; and (2) to Sarah E., dau. of Benj. and Mary F. Gilbert of Stamford, N. Y., the mother of 3 chn., who survived him and is still living. Mr. Kendall was of slender constitution with early tendencies to consumption, of which disease he at length d. at Windham, N. Y., March 19, 1873, a. 60. Chn.:

49. HARRIET E.⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1843; a teacher of much promise; d. Aug. 22, 1866.

50. CHARLES H.⁸, b. July 15, 1845; m. Eldora E. Prentiss; res. Worc.; chn.; l.

51. AGNES M.⁸, b. Sept. 15, 1858; d. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan., 1883.

52. GEORGE W.⁸, b. May 1, 1863.

53. ARCHIE G.⁸, b. June 23, 1868.

[38.] KENDALL, SYLVANUS⁷, youngest child of Edward and Polly, was a painter by trade, but at times followed other occupations more conducive to good health. His early married life

was spent in Royalston, but for some years was in W., where most of his chn. were b. He finally rem. to Worc., and there he still res., the only surviving representative of the "Squire Kendall" family. He m. Sept. 15, 1840, Emily Morrill, dau. of Loring and Eliza (Bolton) Chase of Royalston, who is also living. Chn.:

54. EDWARD S.⁸, b. July 27, 1842; m. Mary E. Carr; res. W.

55. LORIN B.⁸, b. Oct. 26, 1844; m. Mary M. Spofford; res. Clinton; 4 chn.; l.

56. SARAH M.⁸, b. Sept. 6, 1846; m. Geo. W. Barnes; res. Worc.; no chn.; living.

57. EMMA C.⁸, b. Oct. 26, 1848; d. Winchendon, June 29, 1850.

[54.] KENDALL, EDWARD S.⁸, s. of the last, was b. at Royalston, but came with his parents to W. in infancy and has since resided here. He is a painter by trade, at which he worked till impaired health impelled him to seek other employment. He served in the "War of the Rebellion" 18 months (see Chapter XX), and was afterward connected with the State Militia, rising from the ranks to the position of Capt. of Co. H., 10th Regt., M. V., receiving a commission April 25, 1876. He is a member of Hope Lodge, F. and A. Masons, Gr., Mass. He was elected Town Clerk in 1881, an office he still holds, securing it to the Kendall family more than 50 years. The Holdens had it 45 years. The accession of Gen. Harrison to the Presidency gained for Mr. Kendall the position of P. M. in the Central Village,—for which he seems well fitted and in which he gives excellent satisfaction. He m. Oct. 30, 1864, Mary Emeline, dau. of Walter V. and Brucie (Cowdrey) Carr, and they have had 2 chn.:

58. WALTER SYLVANUS⁹, b. Nov. 6, 1868; d. Sept. 3, 1886.

59. EMILIE BRUCIE⁹, b. June 16, 1871; m. R. L. Phelps, Oct. 1, 1891; res. Fg.

60. KENDALL, THOMAS⁶, s. of Thomas⁵ and Lucy (Baldwin) Kendall, was bap. Lanc., March 7, 1784. The f., Thomas⁵, was prob. s. of Thomas⁴, s. of Eleazer³, s. of Thomas², s. of Francis¹. The W. Thomas⁶ came here ab. 1806, and Feb. 27, 1811, was pub. to Relief, dau. of Ezra and Susannah (Bigelow) Holden. He took up his res. with Thomas Johnson, in the south part of the town, caring for him and his w. until their death, and then coming into possession of their property. A quiet, worthy yeoman. He d. June 21, 1862, a. 79. Relief d. Sept. 2, 1875, a. 86. Chn.:

61. Unnamed⁷; d. 1812.

62. SUSAN B.⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1814; m. Oliver T. Leighton; res. W.; no chn.; d. Nov. 7, 1885.

63. THOMAS⁷, b. April 21, 1819; d. unm. June 11, 1841.

64. E. JUSTINIAN⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1825; d. unm. April 19, 1857, after great suffering.

65. KENDALL, EDWARD W.⁶, s. of Ezekiel⁵ and Abigail W., and gd.s. of Ezekiel⁴, who rem. from Woburn to Lanc., was b. Sterling, Feb. 19, 1788, and took up his res. in W. when ab. 21 years of age. He m. (1) Lucy, the only dau. of Ezra and Lucy

(Darby) Calef (his stepmother), Oct. 20, 1812, and set. on a part of lot No. 111,—the former Joseph Smith place,—near Mr. Dupee's, in the east section of the town. He was a skillful mason. His first w., Lucy, d. Aug. 21, 1826, and he m. (2) Lydia, wid. of Sullivan Barnes, the dau. of Timothy and Lydia (Hunt) Hoar, pub. March 27, 1827. She d. Feb. 18, 1873, a. 77. He passed away Aug. 27, 1857, a. 69. Chn.:

66. EZRA⁷, b. Gr., March 1, 1813; m. Elizabeth —; res. Boston; 3 chn.; d. 1875.
67. ABIGAIL⁷, b. W., Feb. 2, 1815; m. John J. Dupee; res. W.; 5 chn.; living.
68. MARY⁷, b. W., Aug. 23, 1818; d. unm. April 13, 1840.
69. EDWARD W.⁷, b. Gr., Jan. 30, 1821; d. unm. April 30, 1844.
70. GEORGE S.⁷, b. May 28, 1824; m. Melinda E. Schillinger; res. Boston; 4 chn.; d. June 2, 1876.
71. EZEKIEL⁷, b. June 29, 1826; m. Mary W. Stone; res. W.
72. LYDIA⁷, b. W., Sept. 3, 1827; m. Alfred Battles, etc.; res. W.
73. LUCY⁷, b. W., Oct. 19, 1829; m. John Lynde; res. W.
74. LOUISA⁷, b. April 10, 1832; m. Alfred L. Brooks.
75. ELLEN E.⁷, b. July 12, 1836; m. Edwin F. Brooks.

[71.] KENDALL, EZEKIEL, s. of the last, m. (1) Mary W. Stone of New Boston, N. H., who bore him a dau. and d. May 22, 1876, a. 42. He m. (2) Hattie Perkins, a native of Hardwick. He was trained to and followed the occupation of his f. His chd. is:

76. EMILY A., b. March 4, 1867.

77. KENDALL, ASA⁵, s. of Timothy⁴, already named, and Esther, was b. in Leom., 1753; m. Persis Fuller and res. a few yrs. in Fitzwilliam, N. H. He then came to W. and lived in the ho. next to that of his nephew, Edward⁶, now occupied by Charles Eaton. He d. Feb. 2, 1821, a. 68, but no record has been fd. of the d. of his w. Chn.:

78. ESTHER, date and place of birth unkn.; m. John Hoar; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; no chn.
79. SALLY, b., etc., unkn.; m. Zadoc Sawyer; res. W. and Windham, Vt.

80. KENDALL, WILLIAM, bro. of Alovisa who m. Solomon Laws, came from Fg. ab. 1805, and lived with his bro.-in-law and w., caring for them in their declining years and succeeding to the estate upon their decease. He d. Aug. 29, 1835, a. 77; his w., Hannah, d. Jan. 28, 1835, a. 75. So far as known, they had but 1 chd.:

81. HANNAH N., who m. Joseph Polley; res. W. and Fg.

I. KENNEY, JAMES, a native of Ireland, has lived for many years in the W. part of the tn., near the site of the Patridge sawmill. By his w., Ellen, he has had chn. as follows:

2. MICHAEL, b. Oct. 18, 1854.
 3. MARY A., b. Sept. 11, 1856; d. Nov. 20, 1885.
 4. MARGARET, b. 1858; d. Sept. 5, 1890.
 5. —, b. May 14, 1860.
 6. ELLEN, b. Aug. 6, 1862.
 7. JOHN E., b. June 24, 1864.
 8. CATHARINE, b. Sept. 15, 1868.
- Perhaps others not in records.

KEYES.

There is some uncertainty in regard to the ancestral relations of the several branches of this family which have res. in this town and elsewhere, even on the part of those who have made the matter a subject of much thought and investigation. Prob. they were all descended from Robert¹, who came early to N. E. and was living at Watertown in 1633. His s., Elias², set. in Sudbury, and was the f. of Thomas³, who m. Elizabeth —, and by her had Jonathan⁴ of Shrewsbury, a leading man in the town and a Deacon of the Chh. Of his family was the first of the name in W.

1. KEYES, THOMAS⁵, s. of Dea. Jonathan⁴ and Patience, was b. Dec. 24, 1737. He m. April 25, 1765, Mary, dau. of Isaac and Mary Temple of Shy., and coming at once to this town set. on lot No. 63, the F. L. Parcher place, near Wachusett. He no doubt built the first house and became the first res. on the premises. He remained here but a brief period, returning to Shy. in 1768 or 9 and locating in that part of the town set off in 1786 to form Boylston, where he was very prominent and active in both town and church affairs, and where he d. at an advanced age. While here he had two chn.:

2. LUCY⁶, b. Aug. 18, 1765; d. Shy., April 4, 1776.

3. THOMAS⁶, b. Jan. 20, 1767; m. Lydia Hathan; res. W. Boylston; 6 chn.; d. June 25, 1856.

4. KEYES, ELI⁵, sometimes written Elic in the records, was s. of Eli⁴ of Shrewsbury, b. March 24, 1733. Eli⁴, Sen., was perhaps s. of Elias³, s. of Elias², s. of Robert¹, the immigrant. Eli⁵ m. Hannah, dau. of Silas and Hannah (Belknap) How of Shy., April 1, 1762. He lived for a short time in Holden, but came to W. before 1770, when he bought lot No. 3, 2d Div., on the crown of B. P. Hill, half a mile N. W. of the Page (Robinson) place, where he erected a house and made for himself and family a home. (See A. H. No. 12.) He soon sold to Timothy Lewis of Reading, and located on No. 59, the Puffer place, in the valley southward. He was a soldier in the F. and I. War, as he was also in the Rev., dying prob. in the service, no mention being made of him afterward, and his family becoming a town charge. Chn.:

5. EZRA⁶, b. Jan. 27, 1763; nothing known.

6. DANIEL⁶, b. Nov. 17, 1764; nothing known.

7. AZUBAH⁶, b. June 5, 1767; m. Hannaniah Whitney; res. Winch.; 12 chn.

8. SARAH⁶, b. Aug. 28, 1769; m. — Willard; res. Harvard.

9. NABBY⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1771; m. — Sawyer; res. Vt.

10. NATHAN⁶; res. W. and N. Y. 11. ELI⁶; res. Jaffrey, N. H.

12. KEYES, THOMAS, ptge. unknown, but b. W., as he said, m. Lydia, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Derby) Jackson, June 21, 1792, and was a resident in town many years. His last place of abode was on the cross road leading from the No. turnpike at the Luther Barrell, now Albert E. Smith, house to Ash., near the town line, the buildings having long since disappeared. (See A. H. No. 19.) He removed to Ludlow, Vt., where he was

living ab. 1820, being a witness at that date in the celebrated "Malden case." No record of chn.

13. KEYES, JOTHAM⁶, was s. of John⁵ and Lucy (Hale) Keyes of Pn., b. Wilton, N. H., where his parents res. for a few years, Aug. 12, 1780. His f. was s. of John⁴ of Shy., s. of Dea. John³ of the same place, sup. s. of Elias² of Sudbury, already mentioned. He m. (1) Sally Moore of Pn., who d. April 24, 1841, and (2) Nancy Hartwell of Fg., to whom he was pub. March 26, 1842. He bought, ab. 1836, the John Miles place, in the south part of the town (see A. H. No. 80), of Salmon Leland, and there he res. until late in life, when he moved to Fg., where he d. No chn.

KEZAR, NATHANIEL, from Shirley, was warned out of town in 1765. He remained, however, many yrs. and m. Hannah Morse, May 27, 1772. He purchased, Jan. 30, 1769, lot No. 58, 2d Div., on which he erected a house for his residence, the site of which may still be recognized. It stood ab. 100 rods north of the dwelling of the late James Puffer in Scrabble Hollow. (See A. H. No. 21.) He sold the place to Jonathan Sawyer April 8, 1776, and disappeared, leaving no trace of himself or family.

I. KILGORE, WILLIAM M., from Fg., a. 26, s. of Dominicus and Olive, m. Nancy W., dau. of Abel and Nancy (Wiswall) Wood, April 19, 1849, and was a res. of the town for a few yrs. Chn.:

2. HOWARD M., b. June 18, 1850.

3. WILLIAM H., b. April 28, 1853.

4. PARKER W., b. Jan. 29, 1856.

KING, ASPASIO H., s. of Guy and Charlotte (Chadwick) King, was b. Sutton, N. H., Sept. 26, 1823, and m. Oct. 3, 1865, at Claremont, N. H., Dency H., dau. of Smith and Mehitabel (Emerson) Hurd, the wid. of Rev. Lucius A. Spencer, a Univ. clergyman of Lempster, N. H., who d. Concord, April, 1862. His w., Dency, d. Centerton, N. J., Nov. 20, 1882. Three years later he came to W. with his step-dau., Alice M. M. Spencer, and purchased of Joseph Hager the buildings and a small lot of land belonging to the old Edgell place on the Worcester road, a mile from the central village. Mr. King is a quiet, unassuming, intelligent gentleman, much devoted to the young lady referred to, who is an intelligent, cheerful companion in the home, and a well-equipped, successful, and acceptable teacher in the public schools of the town.

KNOWER.

George Knower¹, with a bro. Thomas, was in Charlestown in 1631, perhaps in 1630. They are reputed to have come from London. Thomas was a clothier, but had, so far as known, no family. He was found dead in

a boat on the Mystic River, Nov. 9, 1641. George¹ m. Elizabeth(?) —, and set. in that part of the town afterward set off to form Malden. His s. Jonathan², b. 1645, m. Sarah Winslow (perhaps of Plymouth), and had, besides other chn., John³, b. May 22, 1690. By his w., Elizabeth, the latter had a large family, of which John⁴ and Joseph⁴, twins, were b. Feb. 28, 1723-4. The first of these m. Phebe Sprague, and so prepared the way for the W. set. bearing that name — a name which, in both colonial and town annals, has had a various orthography, The old custom house records have it Knore; the early form of it here was Knoah; Jonathan² wrote his signature Knowre, and sometimes it has appeared in Scripture guise, Noah. For two or three generations it has been used only as at present found, *Knower*.

1. KNOWER, THOMAS⁵, s. of John⁴ and Phebe, was b. Dec. 17, 1748. His first recorded presence in this town was when ab. 30 years of age, having been a resident tax-payer in 1779. He received a warm welcome to the place, as evinced by the fact that he m. Feb. 10, 1780, Anna, dau. of Reuben and Ann (Rice) Miles, and established a home on the W. part of the Gov.'s farm, where his gt.-gd.s. now resides. The estate had been purchased by the father of his w. fourteen years before, and prob. came into his possession at a later date, as her share, in part at least, of the large paternal property. He seems to have been a joiner as well as farmer, and to have worked somewhat at that trade, building the *town stocks* in 1793, etc. He d. Nov. 22, 1825, a. 77. His wid., Anna (Miles) Knower, d. Oct. 7, 1849, a. 91. Chn., 6 daus. and 1 s.:

2. PHEBE⁶, b. March 26, 1781, d. Aug. 19, 1785.
3. NANCY⁶, b. Feb. 21, 1783; m. John Brown; res. W.; no chn.; d. July 3, 1805.
4. SALLY⁶, b. May 7, 1785; m. John Brown and Jonas Patch; res. W. and Ashby; d. Aug. 2, 1861.
5. PHEBE⁶, b. March 5, 1787; m. Joseph Brown and David Goodhue; res. W.; d. Nov. 7, 1839.
6. POLLY⁶, b. May 1, 1789; d. Nov. 2, 1791.
7. LUCY⁶, b. Oct. 5, 1791; d. Nov. 6, 1791.
8. THOMAS⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1795; m. twice and res. W.

[8.] KNOWER, THOMAS⁶, s. of the last, an industrious, frugal, successful farmer of his time, m. Dec. 5, 1820, Elmira, dau. of Jonathan and Rhoda (Cowee) Eager, and (2) Sally, dau. of Nathan and Sally Estabrook of New Ipswich, N. H. (pub. May 10), 1835. He inherited his father's farm and spent his days there, passing away Sept. 22, 1879, a. 84. His w., Elmira (Eager), d. Oct. 30, 1834, a. 36; and Sally (Estabrook), Feb. 17, 1875, a. 69. Chn.:

9. MARY BIGELOW⁷, b. March 24, 1823; d. July 18, 1831.
10. HORACE BROWN⁷, b. Jan. 21, 1828; m. Mary A. Sawin; res. W.

[10.] KNOWER, HORACE B.⁷, s. of the last, m. Jan. 4, 1854, Mary Adelia, dau. James and Eunice (Hyde) Sawin, and set. with his parents on the ancestral farmstead, which came into his possession after their decease. Like his f. and gd.f., he was an industrious, well-to-do farmer, keeping up the reputation of the paternal line for good husbandry and uprightness of character. His career was brought to a tragic close at the

So. Main st. R. R. crossing in Gardner, where, in attempting to pass, he was struck by a train and instantly killed, Oct. 7, 1885. His wid. is still living upon the old place. Chn.:

11. CALVIN HEYWOOD⁸, b. June 28, 1855; d. Aug. 27, 1871.

12. CHARLES FRANKLIN⁸, b. Dec. 21, 1856; m. Edith E. Prescott; res. W.

[12.] KNOWER, CHARLES FRANKLIN⁸, just named, m. Nov. 26, 1879, Edith E., dau. Geo. H. and Emily A. (Taylor) Prescott. Upon the sudden d. of his f. he succeeded to the management of the home estate, which he still retains. Chn.:

13. HENRY HORACE⁹, b. Jan. 10, 1882. 14. ALVIN LAWRENCE⁹, b. June 19, 1884.

15. GLADYS GEORGINA⁹, b. Aug. 19, 1886.

16. BESSIE MARIA⁹, b. Nov. 8, 1888. 17. MARY EMILY⁹, b. Aug. 11, 1890.

I. LABRECK, FRANK, s. of Lewis and Esther of Highgate, Vt., m. (1) Hattie S., dau. of John and Amelia Borey of Belchertown, and came to W. early in the seventies. After the birth of 5 chn. his w. d., Sept. 27, 1886, a. 27, and he m. (2) Mary L., dau. of Anthony L. and Mary L. Bogart, from Can. Chn.:

2. FRANK, b. May 12, 1874; d. May 24, 1879.

3. NETTIE M., b. Jan. 18, 1878.

4. JOHN A., b. March 22, 1880.

5. LOUISA A., b. April 24, 1882.

6. LEVI F., b. Sept. 1, 1884.

7. LULU M., b. Feb. 15, 1888.

LAMB.

Among the early proprietors of Leicester, who, in 1687, bought of the native Indians the territory now including the central village of that town, and christened it Strawberry Hill, was Col. Joshua Lamb¹, presumed to have been of English birth and the head of the family of that name in this part of the country. His sup. s., Jonathan², had John³, a res. of Spencer, the f. of James⁴, who set. in Hub. One of the s. of James⁴, Pliny⁵, m. Rebecca Brown, and from this union came the Lamb families of W.

LAMB, GREENLIEF⁶, s. of the last named, was b. Hub. Jan. 25, 1805, and m. Hannah H., dau. of Stephen and Hannah Frost of that town, April 12, 1827. They res. in their native place awhile, then were in Gr. for a year or two, rem. to W. ab. 1834. He was a blacksmith, and first plied his trade here at the Thomas Gaut shop on Main st., on or near the spot now occupied by the store of George W. Bruce. He subsequently built the well-known stand on Bacon st.,—a shop and dwelling,—where he located permanently. He is said to have been a superior workman and had an extensive patronage. In connection with his regular calling he manufactured elliptic carriage springs, forks for agricultural uses, etc., which had an excellent reputation and a large sale. He d. Feb. 26, 1877, a. 72. His w., Hannah F., d. May 28, 1876, a. 72. Chn.:

2. JOHN G.⁷, b. May 30, 1828; res. W. and Wore.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 9, 1872.

3. STEPHEN F.⁷, b. June 1, 1834; m. Anna P. Brown; res. W.

4. MARY F.⁷, b. March 28, 1836; m. Spencer Frost; res. W.; 2 chn.; on Sch. Com., 1877-78.

5. CHARLES A.⁷, b. May 18, 1841; d. Sept. 2, 1842.

[2.] LAMB, JOHN G.⁷, s. of the last, m. (1) July 31, 1854, Mary B., dau. of Loring Chase, b. Newfane, Vt., 1831. She d. May 1, 1855, and Nov. 2, 1857, he was pub. to Lizzie Richardson of Phillipston. Res. a few years in tn., then rem. to Worc., where he d. Was in the civil war. (See Chap. XX.) Had but 1 chd.:

6. HENRY W.⁸, b. June 27, 1859; res. Boston.

[3] LAMB, STEPHEN FROST⁷, bro. of the last, m. Nov. 10, 1859, Anna P., dau. Philander C. and Louisa (Whitney) Brown, and succeeded to his f.'s calling and estate. He is a reputable citizen of the town, having held the office of Assessor and filled other important positions in the people's gift. Chn.:

7. CHARLES G.⁸, b. Sept. 28, 1860; m. Alice M. Mansfield; res. Denver, Col.; State Veterinary surgeon; 1 chd.; living.

8. LILLIAN B.⁸, b. Sept. 21, 1864; m. Cyrus T. Miller; res. W.

9. JOHN WM.⁸, b. June 21, 1866; m. Ada C. Miller; res. Fg.

10. GEORGIE L.⁸, b. June 15, 1880.

II. LAMB, AUGUSTUS⁶, another s. of Pliny⁵, and Rebecca, a. 32, m. (1) Amanda, dau. Liberty and Dorinda Patridge, June 2, 1844. He was also a blacksmith and had a shop near the sawmill of his f.-in-law. Mrs. L. d. April 9, 1853, a. 32. He m. (2) Amanda Colman, and left tn. many years since. Chn.:

12. JULIA⁷, b. Nov. 3, 1844; m. Jos. T. Marshall; res. W.; no chn.

13. MARY E.⁷, b. July 6, 1845; d. Jan. 9, 1855.

14. Daughter⁷, b. Dec. 9, 1846; d. infancy.

15. WILLIAM A.⁷, b. May 7, 1849; m. and had 3 chn.; res. Stoneham; d. Sept. 29, 1881.

16. CHARLES G.⁷, b. Feb. 12, 1851; d. June 12, 1873.

17. AMARETTA⁷, b. Jan. 19, 1853; d. infancy.

I. LANE, GEORGE W., untraced, came into tn. ab. 1835 with his mother, wid. Mary W. Lane, 3 bros., Francis, Edwin, Nathaniel, and sr. Sarah, and was a res. here many years. His mother m. J. Russell Coolidge; Francis and Nathaniel went to California; Edwin set. Groton, and still res. there; Sarah m. Samuel Hodgman and res. Gr. Geo. W. was pub. to Samira Whitcomb of Swanzy, N. H., May 4, 1841. He was a wheelwright and res. on what is now Elliot st. He gave the friends of temperance much trouble by engaging in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, and was repeatedly convicted at the Worc. Court and fined therefor. He is said to have gone into the army, to have become wealthy, and to be still living, engaged in amateur farming somewhere in N. H. Chn.:

2. HARRIET E., b. Dec. 22, 1841.

3. MARY E., b. Nov. 19, 1843.

4. NANCY M., b. Oct. 26, 1845.

5. GEO. H., b. Nov. 24, 1847; d. Sept., 1849.

6. Son, unnamed, b. 1849; d. July 30, 1849.

I. LAVERS, RUFUS J., s. of George Edward and Mary, was b. Newport, N. S., Jan. 17, 1839. He m. (1) Jane W. Mills,

May 26, 1862, and by her had 6 chn. She d. and he m. (2) July 1, 1879, Mary B. Sutherland, who has borne him 2 more. He came to tn. from Fg. in 1882 and set. upon the old Elisha Bigelow place. Chn.:

2. BESSIE JANE, b. June 7, 1863; d. Jan. 8, 1885.
3. GEORGE H., b. July 18, 1865; res. Jamaica Plain; unm.
4. ANNIE L., b. Nov. 5, 1867; res. Boston; unm.
5. MARY JANE, b. Sept. 8, 1869; m. Charles Blanchard; res. Fg.
6. ELIZA L., b. April 21, 1871; m. George Dobb; res. Fg.
7. CHARLES H., b. Jan. 25, 1873; d. June 15, 1873.
8. JOHN S., b. July 4, 1880; d. July 3, 1884.
9. CARRIE L., b. Sept. 26, 1882.

LAWRENCE, JONATHAN, a cordwainer from Littleton, was the owner of lot 27, on which the late George Smith res., in 1751, when he had a house there and was reported to the Gen. Ct. as a recent settler in the township. (See A. H. No. 83.). He was here, however, but about 3 yrs. and no subsequent traces of him have been discovered.

LAWRENCE, ABEL, from Stow, lineage etc., unknown, was the first settler on the farm in the N. E. part of the town now represented by Samuel Fiske. It was lot No. 75, 2d Div., purchased by him Feb. 11, 1755, and sold in 1766 to Thomas Legate of Leom., who soon transferred it to Dr. Zachariah Harvey. Mr. Lawrence had a w., Deborah, and chn. but their names are not found in the records. They were all "warned out" in 1761, and disappeared five years later.

LAWS.

No very satisfactory accounts of the earlier generations of this family in N. E. have been found. So far as the writer of this sketch can learn, the first record in which the name appears states that John Laws¹, presumably the immigrant settler, m. Lydia, dau. of Roger Draper, in Concord, March 5, 1660. Of this union came John², b. 1661, Thomas², b. 1663, and Stephen², b. 1665. It is prob. that one of these sons was gd.f. of James⁴, who, Nov. 13, 1756, m. Eunice, dau. of James and Maria Hosley, the sister of Joseph Hosley mentioned in the foregoing pages. James⁴, his f. being unk., set. in Billerica, where his w. belonged and where the first of the name here had their nativity. It is quite certain he was of the third generation from the John¹ who m. Lydia Draper, the intermediate links being omitted, as indicated thus:—John¹, —², —³, James⁴, and on that presumption the registry below is made up.

I. LAWS, THOMAS⁵, s. of James⁴ and Eunice (Hosley) Laws, was b. Nov. 20, 1737. On the 21st of March, 1760, he bought of his bro.-in-law, Joseph Hosley, who had been some years in this place, No. 68, 2d Div., in the extreme north part of the town, on which Malachi Hession now lives, and soon after took possession of it. His w. was Hannah —. Late in life his mother, Eunice (Hosley) Laws, came here to live, and d. in 1813, a. 92. He d. Sept. 14, 1803, a. 65. His wid. d. Nov. 1, 1806, a. 71. Chn.:

2. THOMAS⁶, b. July 9, 1761; m. Mary Locke; res. W. and N. H.
3. SOLOMON⁶, b. Aug. 29, 1766; m. Alovisa Kendall; res. W.; no chn.
4. HANNAH⁶, b. April 7, 1770; m. Jonathan Southwick, Dublin, N. H.
5. RACHEL⁶, b. April 25, 1774; m. Heman Ray; res. W.; chn.

[2.] LAWS, THOMAS⁶, s. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Ebenzer and Phebe (Mores) Locke, Rindge, N. H., Sept. 4, 1787. He lived in town ab. 14 yrs., on a part of his f.'s farm, which was divided between him and his bro. Solomon. In 1801 he sold out and rem. to Peterboro', N. H., where his 3 youngest chn. were b. The dates of the death of himself and w. are unkn. Chn.:

6. PHEBE⁷, b. Feb. 20, 1789; d. Feb. 25, 1789.
7. AMOS⁷, b. Jan. 14, 1790; d. March 12, 1795.
8. SAMPSON⁷, b. Oct. 22, 1792; d. Feb. 27, 1795.
9. AMOS⁷, b. June 14, 1795; d. Sept. 5, 1797.
10. THOMAS⁷, b. May 11, 1797; m. three times; res. Petersham; 3 chn.; d. May 31, 1853.
11. MARY⁷, b. Jan. 19, 1799; m. James Childs; res. Temple, N. H.; 1 chd.; d. May 10, 1827.
12. NATHANIEL F.⁷, b. May 1, 1807; m. Polly Childs; res. Temple, N. H.; 3 chn.
13. EBENEZER⁷, b. May 1, 1803; m. Melinda Wooley; res. Washington, N. H.
14. SOLOMON⁷, b. Nov. 13, 1806; m. Olive M. Johnson; res. Temple, N. H.

The last of these chn., Solomon⁷ (14), was of literary and religious habits and aims in life. He fitted for college, grad. Dartmouth, 1836, studied divinity, and was settled as a Universalist minister at Temple, N. H., where he res. many years, much esteemed as a man and of good repute in his profession. Late in life he rem. to Marlboro', N. H., and still later to the West, where he d. His w. was Olive M. Johnson of Chester, Vt. They had sev. chn.

[3.] LAWS, SOLOMON⁶, youngest s. of Thomas and Eunice, m. Alovisa Kendall of Fg., March 12, 1801, and succeeded to his f.'s estate, the whole of which came into his possession after the rem. of his bro. from town. Having no chn. he set. his estate upon his bro.-in-law, Wm. Kendall, who cared for himself and w. in their more advanced and dependent years. The date of the death of Solomon Laws and w., Alovisa, has not been learned. With them this branch of the family in town became extinct.

15. LAWS, JAMES⁵, s. of James⁴ and Eunice (Hosley) Laws, was b. Billerica, March 12, 1742. He followed his bro. Thomas to W., and in 1768 his f. deeded to him lot No. 42, 2d Div., on which his gd.s., James H. Laws, now res., and there he soon after located. He m., before coming here, Anne Danforth. He d. Nov., 1821, a. 79. His w. d. Nov. 5, 1813, a. 69. They had the following chn.:

16. ELIZABETH⁶, b. July 28, 1766; m. Eli Sawyer; res. W.
17. ANNA⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1768; m. Joseph Gibbs; res. Ash.; 8 chn.
18. LUCY⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1770; m. Benjamin Sawin; res. Gr.; chn.
19. JAMES⁶, b. Dec. 13, 1772; m. Thankful Metcalf; res. W.
20. WILLIAM⁶, b. Oct. 18, 1774; m. and set. Sharon, N. H.; sev. chn.
21. RHODA⁶, b. Oct. 4, 1776; m. Edward J. Locke; res. Peterboro', N. H.

[19.] LAWS, JAMES⁶, s. of the last, m. Thankful Metcalf of Ash., Nov. 21, 1797, and succeeded to his f.'s estate. His w.'s

mother was Margaret Shattuck, dau. of Wm. of Groton, a relative of the w. of Dea. Joseph Holden. Mr. Laws d. Aug. 14, 1860, a. 87. His w. d. Jan. 5, 1852, a. 76. Chn.:

22. JAMES⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1797; d. May 10, 1803.
23. DAVID⁷, b. March 10, 1799; m. Nancy Wilder; res. W.; 3 chn.
24. JOSEPH⁷, b. March 3, 1801; d. July 10, 1803.
25. HOSEA⁷, b. Aug. 13, 1803; m. twice; res. Boston; 5 chn.; d. Feb. 18, 1887.
26. THANKFUL⁷, b. May 30, 1805; m. Ruel Lawrence; res. Ash.; 5 chn.; d. Oct., 1849.
27. ANNA D.⁷, b. July 4, 1807; m. John Rogers; res. Roxbury; no chn.; d. April 8, 1885.
28. J. HERVEY⁷, b. Sept. 8, 1809; m. Julia A. Hastings; res. W.
29. SYLVIA⁷, b. Sept. 3, 1811; m. — Morton; res. Ash.; 5 chn.
30. MARY⁷, b. Nov. 2, 1815; d. Nov. 24, 1815.
31. S. NEWELL⁷, b. July 23, 1817; m. Fidelia Whitney; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; living.

[23.] LAWS, DAVID⁷, s. of the last, m. Nancy, dau. of Caleb and Sarah (Whitney) Wilder, Ash., April 24, 1828. He shared the paternal homestead with his bro., J. Hervey, and like him was an intelligent, high-minded, estimable citizen. He was Town Assessor in 1851. He d. March 22, 1875, a. 76. His wid. is still living at Ash. Chn.:

32. SARAH ANN⁸, b. Feb. 3, 1829; d. Aug. 14, 1829.
33. LYMAN⁸, b. Sept. 30, 1830; m. Eliza J. Fay; res. Boston; 4 chn.; d. June 16, 1890.
34. M. REBECCA⁸, b. May 29, 1833; m. James H. Bancroft; res. Worc.; d. Nov. 2, 1879.

[28.] LAWS, JAMES HERVEY⁷, bro. of the last, m. Julia A., dau. of John and Sarah (Green) Hastings, Ash., March 24, 1836. Mr. Laws is still living in the enjoyment of a serene old age and the respect and confidence of his fellow-townsmen. His more intimate relations, social, commercial, and religious, have been with the inhabitants of Ash., who hold him and his family in high regard. He is a Methodist by conviction and association, and has been an active and liberal supporter of the chh. of that denomination in the town named, honoring and adorning his Chn. faith by a correspondingly upright, humane, devout life. His w., a worthy companion for ab. half a century, passed to her rest Nov. 19, 1885, at the a. of 74. Chn.:

35. Unnamed⁸, b. June 13, 1837; d. infancy.
- 36 and 37. Twins⁸, unnamed, b. April 24, 1838; d. infancy.
38. SARAH G.⁸, b. Jan. 7, 1840; d. Aug. 15, 1848.
39. ELLEN A.⁸, b. June 22, 1841; living unnm.
40. HIRAM⁸, b. June 27, 1844; m. Mary E. Dutton; res. Bedford; 4 chn.; living.
41. JULIA E.⁸, b. Feb. 26, 1846; d. June 9, 1849.
42. SIDNEY J.⁸, b. May 13, 1848; m. Emily J. Brame; res. Worc.; 2 chn.; living.
43. WALTER H.⁸, b. April 25, 1850; res. W. unnm.
44. MARY E.⁸, b. Oct. 18, 1852; d. Jan. 11, 1873.
45. ANNA C.⁸, b. May 24, 1857; res. W. unnm.

Walter H. Laws (43), the youngest s. of the above family, res. with his f. and sr. (who is their housekeeper) on the original James Laws' homestead. He is an intelligent, enterprising farmer, much interested in the subject of agriculture, both in its scientific and practical aspects and relations, and in whatever is conducive to human good and happiness. He was chosen Selectman in 1885 and 1886. A worthy name closes the record of a worthy family.

LEARNED.

The first names on the list of persons admitted to the first chh. in Charlestown were William and Goditha (afterwards called Judith) Learned¹, under date of Dec. 6, 1632; an organization of that body having taken place on the 2d day of the preceding month, when Rev. Thomas James was ordained as its pastor. They were from Bermondsey, Surrey Co., Eng., the birthplace of several of their chn. Among these was Isaac², b. Feb. 25, 1623, who, after living in Chasn. awhile, made a permanent settlement at Chelmsford. His son Benoni³ went to Sherborn, where he had a family. Thomas⁴, in the next generation, returned to Watertown and there spent his days, as did also his s. David⁵, the father of Thomas⁶, who located in Cambridge. There Samuel⁷ was b. ab. 1770. He m. Lydia Knapp and established himself as farmer and blacksmith in the E. part of Gardner, where, between 1794 and 1812, eight chn. were b. to them. Two of these became res. of W. and are noted in the order of their coming, as well as of their continuance here.

I. LEARNED, JOHN KNAPP⁸, s. of the just named Samuel⁷ and Lydia, was b. Gr. Dec. 22, 1806. He m. (1) Maria, dau. of John and Betsey (Howe) Miller, Aug. 12, 1832, and set. on the old Darby place, a mile S. E. of the village, at the corner where the Pn. and Worc. roads separate. There he set up blacksmithing, a trade in which he was engaged for many years, his shop being the only one in that part of the town. The buildings on the place have essentially disappeared, though their site is still easily recognized. (See A. H. No. 81.) Mr. Learned's 1st w., Maria, d. Jan. 30, 1858, a. 47, and he m. (2) Betsey Miller, sr. of Maria, on the 5th of the following April. She d. May 30, 1870, a. 56. He m. (3) Dec. 22, 1871, wid. Marion M. Moulton, dau. of Josiah and Eunice Goddard of Hub., who survived him. Late in life he rem. to Gr., and thence to Hub., where he d. June 2, 1879, a. 72. Chn.:

2. JOHN M.⁹, b. Jan. 31, 1834; d. Oct. 24, 1855; an unfortunate cripple.
3. SUSAN M.⁹, b. Aug. 8, 1838; m. Wm. F. Goodnow; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
4. ELIZABETH A.⁹, b. July 12, 1841; m. Joseph A. Wetherbee; res. W.; no chn.
5. ALONZO K.⁹, b. April 15, 1844; res. Holden, unm.; a superior and successful teacher.
6. LUCY M.⁹, b. Aug. 19, 1846; m. Clark P. Roundy; res. Gilsum, N. H.; d. Nov. 2, 1870.

7. LEARNED, SAMUEL, bro. of the last, b. 1796, res. a few yrs. on the Daniel Sawin place, in the S. W. part of the town, coming from Gr., where he had 6 chn. His w., when res. here, was Emma (Kemp), wid. of John Eaton. He d. Winch., Jan. 7, 1859, a. 62.

LELAND.

Henry Leland¹, b. in Eng. ab. 1625, came to this country in 1652, taking up his residence in Sherborn, as one of the original proprietors and first settlers of the town. He d. April 4, 1680, leaving a considerable family, from which has descended a numerous posterity. Ebenezer², one of his s., had James³, who went to Grafton and established an important branch of the family there. Phineas⁴, s. of James³, was f. of Eleazer⁵, who m. Elizabeth

Sherman, whence came the name of one of their s., Sherman Leland,—a man of eminence in his day, being for many years a Judge of Probate for Norfolk Co.

1. LELAND, SALMON⁶, was another s. of Eleazer⁵ and Elizabeth, b. ab. 1787. He m. Ezoa Millen (date unknown), and coming to W., purchased, Sept. 6, 1811, lot No. 57, known later as the Keyes place, near Mrs. Julia A. Foster's residence, the buildings of which were some years since removed. (See A. H. No. 80.) In the year 1831 he sold to Jotham Keyes, and went to Cato, N. Y., with his family. Nothing since is known of him or of his descendants. Chn.:

2. MARY ANN⁷, b. April 8, 1813.

3. JOHN M.⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1815.

4. CAROLINE⁷, b. Jan. 16, 1821; d. Feb. 22, 1831.

5. SALMON⁷, b. April 7, 1828.

6. MENDELL⁷, b. April 15, 1830.

7. LELAND, ELBRIDGE G.⁷, s. of Amasa⁶ and Martha (Seaver) Leland of Gr., was b. Aug. 8, 1820. Amasa⁶ was fourth cousin of Salmon, his descent from the same immigrant ancestor running thus: Henry¹, Hopestill², William³, Simon⁴, Simeon⁵, Amasa⁶. Elbridge G.⁷, m. Jan. 26, 1869, wid. Laura Jane (Park-hill) Taylor of Potsdam, N. Y., and res. on the Sebina Spalding place, Beech Hill. No chn. reported.

8. LELAND, HOLLIS J.⁷, bro. of the last, was b. Gr., Aug. 22, 1830. He came to W. when ab. 21, and m. May 8, 1853, Ellen M., dau. of Sewall and Susan Goodridge of Leicester. He is a paper maker by trade and res. at Wachusettville. Chn.:

9. IDA MAY⁸, b. June 12, 1855; m. Charles A. Lucas; res. Bristol, N. H.; 2 chn.; d. 1891.

10. CORA DELLA⁸, b. June 10, 1859; m. George W. Lucas; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Jan. 25, 1885.

1. LEONARD, ENOCH, ptge., etc., unascertained, came from Canton in the latter part of the last (18th) century, and set. in what was then called the Narrows (Wachusettville). In May, 1799, he m. Polly Brooks, and had 1 chd. In 1804 he purchased "the Forge," and carried on business there with his bro. Phineas (not son, as erroneously stated on page 330) until his decease in 1808. His wid. was pub. Oct. 3, 1809, to Artemas Richardson of Sterling, where she afterward res. All the chd. known was:

2. GEORGE, b. Nov. 29, 1800; m. Mary Wood; res. Lowell; d. July 17, 1870.

3. LEONARD, PHINEAS, bro. of the last, seems to have followed him to this tn., entered into partnership with him, and after his death came into possession of the property, which he utilized till 1812, when it was sold to Nathan Corey of Harvard. In the meantime he bought the Dea. Miller sawmill below, and manufactured lumber for a few yrs. He was Capt. of the old north military Co. His w., whose name was Nancy, d. in 1812, leaving 2 chn., and he m. (2) Eunice Gibbs, prob. dau. of Paul,

Sept. 21, 1812. He d. Sept. 4, 1821. Chn., the dates of birth unknown:

4. NANCY, of whom nothing has been learned.
5. KINGSLEY, a town charge in 1838.
6. RICHARD, was cared for by Jonas Merriam awhile.
7. ABEL, also cared for by Jonas Merriam awhile.

LEWIS. Several different families of this name have resided in town during its history, but it has been found impossible to trace either their ancestral lines or their connection with each other, if such connection really existed. Much, therefore, of what is said of them, especially of those residing here at an early date, must be fragmentary and unsatisfactory, but it is the best that can be done at the present writing (1893), and so must stand "with all its imperfections on its head."

The names of Joseph and Nathan Lewis appear simultaneously in the list of tax-paying residents, 1769, and remain in them ab. 15 yrs., when they both disappear as mysteriously as they came. Both owned real estate, or, at least, were taxed for it on some of the years they were here, but no records of conveyances of such property are preserved. Joseph was paid for taking care of the meetinghouse in 1773. Nathan is believed to have lived for a time on lot 75—the Hadley place—near Wachusett Mt. (See A. H. No. 92.) If so, he had a dau., Betsey, who m. Jonathan Graves, May 15, 1778, and another dau., Mary, who m. Thomas Baker of Gr., June 8, 1788. In the preserved records of Abner Holden for the last-named year, he is spoken of as "late of W.," his then present place of abode not being given. It is possible that he had dec'd before that date. Timothy Lewis owned lands here between 1770 and 1780, and was taxed as an inhabitant during most of the intervening years. He, however, came from Reading, and prob. ret. thither. No records of a family connected with him have come to light. More definite information has been obtained concerning other persons and families that bear the name of Lewis, and while not as full and complete as could be desired, is capable of being tabulated to a limited extent.

I. LEWIS, ABIJAH, from Fg., ptge., etc., unknown, was pub. March 16, 1800, to Sally Cutter, prob. sr. of Mark Cutter, the adopted dau. of John and Mary Goodale, who had no chn. He cared for his w.'s foster-parents in their declining years, and came into possession of their estate, which was considerable, after their decease. Mr. Lewis d. April 23, 1823, a. 46. Mrs. Lewis d. Jan. 16, 1838, a. 55. Chn.:

2. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 23, 1800; m. Esther Bancroft; res. W.; 4 chn.
3. Unnamed, b. 1802; d. 1809.
4. MARCUS, b. July 20, 1804; unm.; d. March 30, 1834?
5. EMERSON, b. June 19, 1806; m. Nancy Hartwell; res. Fg.; d. March 1, 1854.
6. JOSEPH, b. June 10, 1811; { twins; } unm.; d. Sept. 4, 1833?
7. MARY, b. June 10, 1811; { twins; } m. Charles How; res. Fg.; 4 chn.; dec'd.
8. AMOS, b. Sept. 21, 1813; m. wid. of Benj.; res. W.; 2 chn.
9. NANCY, b. July 4, 1818; m. Curtis Knights and went West.

[2.] LEWIS, BENJAMIN, s. of the last, was pub. to Esther Bancroft, Fg., March 5, 1827. He d. July 26, 1835, and his wid. m. (2) his bro. Amos. Chn.:

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| 10. ADALINE. | 11. ELBRIDGE. | 12. ROXANNA. | 13. NELSON. |
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[8.] LEWIS, AMOS, bro. of the last, m., as stated, his wid. and had 2 chn. He d. July 21, 1869, a. 55. Issue:

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| 14. WASHBURN. | 15. JOHN. |
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16. LEWIS, JOHN, s. of Jacob of Templeton, was b. March 24, 1799. He m. May 30, 1825, Anna, dau. of Oliver and Elizabeth (Gay) Hamilton of Pelham, and, coming to W. the same year, bought of Asa C. Everett the place now owned by Charles Eaton, which he at once occupied. In the little shop on the premises he began the manufacture of chairs, one of the first to carry on the business in town. His w. dying May 6, 1836, he m. (2) Sophronia, dau. of Arna and Betsey (Sawin) Bacon, Jan. 24, 1837, and not long after rem. to her f.'s home on Bacon St., where he ever afterward resided. He d. Jan. 13, 1885, a. 85. His wid. d. 1891. Chn.:

17. JOSIAH F., b. June 7, 1826; m. Ann Steele; res. Minn.; 6 chn.; living.

18. MARY E., b. March 16, 1828; m. Philander S. Colman; res. Athol; 1 chd.; d. May 6, 1852.

19. ANN A., b. Nov. 11, 1829; m. Joseph R. Torrey; res. Worc.; 2 chn.; d. Aug. 31, 1869.

20. CYRUS O., b. Sept. 16, 1831; m. Tryphena Harrydean; res. Prov.; 2 chn.; d. 1888.

21. GEORGE W., b. Aug. 13, 1833; d. Aug. 20, 1834.

22. GEORGE C., b. Sept. 13, 1835; d. April 8, 1836.

23. MARTHA S., b. July 24, 1843; m. Luke Divoll and Chas. H. Smith; res. W.

Josiah F. Lewis (17), the oldest of the above family, first set. in Tenn., but ab. 1861 rem. to Minn., where he has held important public offices. A s., John H., grad. State Univ. of Minn. in 1878, and has since been Supt. of Schools in the city of Hastings.

24. LEWIS, WILLIAM, place and date of birth, ptge., etc., unascertained, was b. July 13, 1787, and coming to W. m. in Dec., 1824, Polly, dau. of Thomas Bemis, and the wid. of Henry Dunster. They set. near the old red schoolhouse, on the south side of the turnpike, where the cellar of their residence, well, etc., are still visible. (See A. H. No. 45.) Mr. Lewis is said to have been on the *Chesapeake* in the memorable but disastrous battle between that war vessel and the British frigate *Shannon*, waged June 1, 1813, where he was terribly mangled by the weapons of the enemy. He d. June 16, 1838, a. 51. His wid. d. May 16, 1845, a. ab. 53. Chn.:

25. WILLIAM B., b. Dec. 12, 1826; d. May 18, 1852.

26. PEARSON B., b. May 17, 1829.

27. MARY ANN, b. June 12, 1831.

28. LUCY G., b. Sept. 19, 1833.

29. LYDIA M., b. April 5, 1836.

30. LEWIS, CROSBY, s. of Levi and Abigail (Ballard) Lewis of Lanc., was b. April 24, 1825. He was formerly engaged in mercantile business, but by reason of failing health or otherwise retired from more active pursuits some yrs. since. He came to W. for a permanent settlement in 1877, though he had been here previously as a temporary resident. He m. June 9, 1853, Martha Abba, dau. of Chedorlaomer and Martha (Fox) Marshall of Fg., and gd.dau. of Dr. Benjamin Marshall, a physician in this tn. during the early years of the century. She is an intelligent, cultivated, public-spirited woman, much interested in charity work, being at present an active member of the board of lady managers of the Baldwinsville Cottage Hospital. Chn.:

31. MARTHA A., b. March 27, 1854; in Normal Art School, Boston.
32. CHARLOTTE A., b. Nov. 8, 1856; d. Sept. 7, 1875.
33. ANNA WARE, b. March 8, 1872; res. W.; unm.

1. LINCOLN, HEMAN, s. of Jeremiah of Hingham, and, no doubt, a descendant of Daniel, an early settler there, came to town near the close of the last century, and located on lot No. 83, 2d Div., in the Whitman River valley, recently known as the Tottingham place, first improved and occupied by Thaddeus Smith. He had a w., Elizabeth, and chn. as follows: Heman, Elizabeth, Pyam (Percy?), Mary, Hannah, Sally, Emma, Lucy Lane, all b. prob. before coming here. He d. early in 1803, his will having been dated Feb. 3, and probated April 5 of that year. The 5 younger chn. were minors at the time, and had guardian appointed. The family removed to Boston not long afterward, where the oldest s. was already residing. The homestead was sold in 1810.

2. LINCOLN, DANIEL, nephew (?) of the last, m. Chloe, dau. of Stephen and Mercy (Beal) Marsh of Hingham, and had at least 2 chn., Caleb and Daniel, b. in that town. March 27, 1801, he purchased lot No. 84, 2d Div., lying directly east of that mentioned above, and set upon it. It was originally the Ephraim Wetherbee place, which figured so largely in the celebrated "Malden lawsuit," recently occupied by John Borie. Mr. Lincoln and family remained here some 18 or 20 yrs., and then, it is understood, went back to Hingham. Meanwhile he had a dau. b. here, while one of his sons m., as stated below. The name of the dau. was:

3. HANNAH BEAL, b. June 27, 1802.

4. LINCOLN, DANIEL, s. of the last, m. Martha Robbins, Westford (pub. April 28), 1816. He lived, perhaps, on the Heman Lincoln place, which his f. purchased in 1810. He left town with the rest of the family after having 1 chd.:

5. ISAAC LORENZO, b. April 5, 1818.

6. LINCOLN, REV. VARNUM, was s. of Abel and Phebe (Griffin) Lincoln, b. Chelmsford, Sept. 25, 1819. He was educated in the schools of Lowell, and in his early manhood devoted himself for a time to the work of teaching. He studied for the Universalist ministry under the direction of Rev. Thomas B. Thayer, D. D., of Lowell, and was ordained to his chosen calling in 1843 at Billerica, where he served as pastor 3 years, coming to this town in 1846, and remaining 4 yrs. His subsequent settlements were at W. Townsend, Andover, Abington, Yarmouthport, and W. Haverhill. He is now living at Andover, having retired for the most part from the active duties of his profession. Mr. Lincoln has ever been hospitable to new truth, and much interested in questions of moral and social reform, for which he has suffered at times more or less indignity

and reproach. He has of late yrs. been an acceptable and honored contributor to the literature of the Chn. denomination with which his name is identified, and has occupied an influential position in the councils of the Prohibitory political party. On the 17th of May, 1844, Mr. L. m. Emmeline Sprague of Hudson, N. H., by whom he has had 5 chn.:

7. EDWIN HALE, b. W., Jan. 2, 1848.
8. CHARLES T., b. Oct. 24, 1849; d. June 14, 1879.
9. ALFRED V., b. Aug. 25, 1852.
10. EMMA J., b. Sept. 26, 1854.
11. HENRY C., b. July 21, 1857; d. May 13, 1859.

12. LINCOLN, DR. HENRY M., s. of Leavitt Lincoln of Winchendon, was b. ab. 1827, and having studied medicine, came here in 1852 for the practice of his profession, as successor of Dr. John White. But his time of service here was brief. He was stricken down with a fatal disease, which terminated his life Aug. 5, the following year. He was a young man of urbane manners, of much medical skill, and of unusual promise as a physician, and is pleasantly remembered by those now living who were privileged to make his acquaintance, professionally or otherwise.

1. LIVERPOOL, JOSHUA, of unkn. descent, a *quasi* resident of W. for some dozen yrs., owned and occupied occasionally the John Heywood farm, lots Nos. 71 and 72, in the south part of the tn. He claimed to be an "Indian Physician." had an office in Boston, and a somewhat extensive practice as a *specialist*. Had w. and sev. chn., 2 of whom, according to the record, were b. here:

2. COVAL, b. Oct. 5, 1880.

3. HENRY J., b. Oct. 9, 1884.

LOCKE.

William Locke¹, s. of William and Elizabeth of Stepney, London, was b. Dec. 13, 1628. When 6 yrs. of a. he came to this country with one Nicholas Davis, presumably a relative, in the ship *Planter*. He prob. lived with Mr. Davis at Charlestown during his minority, afterward settling at Woburn, where he became a man of property and distinction—holding large landed estates and filling important offices in the town and church. He m. Mary Clarke in 1655, and had a s. James², the f. of Jonathan³, whose w. was Phebe Pierce. Another Jonathan⁴ in the next generation had by his w., Mary Frost, a third Jonathan⁵, in regular succession, who m. Mary Tufts, residing in Charlestown, now a part of Somerville, till 1813, when he moved to Lanc., where he d. Jan. 26, 1839, a. 61. He held the position of Major in the Mass. militia, and is reputed to have dispensed a generous hospitality among his friends, kinsfolk, etc.

1. LOCKE, THEODORE PRESCOTT⁶, s. of Maj. Jonathan⁵, was b. in Charlestown, now Somerville, March 22, 1800. He m. Oct. 31, 1820, Amy, dau. of Amos and Sybil (Brown) Heald. In the year 1845 he came to W. as a journeyman baker and entered into partnership with Alfred Wyman for the purpose

of manufacturing bread, which was the beginning of that line of business in town. The company soon dissolved, but Mr. L. remained here many years as foreman of the shop, going hence to Athol, where he d. a few yrs. since. He was well known in the community as a strong Anti-Slavery man of the Garrison school, and a radical reformer in other particulars,—Temperance, Peace, Woman's Suffrage, etc. He was a severe critic of both Church and State, refusing allegiance to both,—what was called a "Come-outer" in those days—holding his opinions tenaciously and expressing and defending them without fear or favor. He was an intelligent observer of current events, a considerable reader and thinker, and a free and ready talker both in private and on public occasions. Though much of an iconoclast, and disposed to rigid and sweeping denunciation of popular wrongs and fashionable wrong-doers, he yet was of genial, happy temperament, fond of companionship and of the pleasures of social life, not wholly void of a desire for popularity and the good opinion of his fellow-men. His wife was of a more quiet nature, and especially domestic in her tastes and habits. Chn.:

2. ASA D.⁷, b. Sept. 7, 1824.
3. THEODORE⁷, b. Aug. 21, 1826; d. Oct. 8, 1849.
4. EMMA H.⁷, b. March 21, 1828; m. C. R. B. Claffin; res. Worc.; sev. chn.; 1.
5. AMOS H.⁷, b. July 4, 1830; d. Aug., 1832.
6. JANE E.⁷, b. July 6, 1832; m. Frederick Allen; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Nov. 15, 1859.
7. ABBY M.⁷, b. Sept. 6, 1834; m. — Stuart; res. Chelsea; no chn.
8. AMOS H.⁷, b. Aug. 29, 1837; m. and res. Athol; d. some years since.

LOCKE, EDWARD JEWETT, ptge., etc., not traced, was pub. to Rhoda, dau. of James and Anna (Danforth) Laws, March 21, 1801. He set. in extreme no. part of the tn. and had a blacksmith shop on the corner opp. "the Lord's barn." He went from here to Peterboro', N. H., where he permanently res. Chn.:

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| 9. RHODA, b. W., July 27, 1801. | 10. EDWARD, b. P., March 5, 1803. |
| 11. HORACE F., b. P., March 6, 1805. | 12. PAULINA, b. P., Feb. 8, 1807. |

LOMBARD.

Among the early settlers of Springfield, which is one of the oldest towns in Mass., was John Lombard¹, living there in 1646. Little has been learned of him or of his immediate descendants. Through his s. David² he had a g.d.s., John³, who became a resident of Brimfield. Joseph⁴, s. of John³, was f. of Abner⁵, who emigrated to Vt. and set. in the town of Paulet.

I. LOMBARD, FRANKLIN⁶, was s. of this Abner⁵, b. March 25, 1815. When a young man he went to Leominster and learned the art of comb-making, then the leading industry of the place. In 1839 he came to W. and, locating at Scrabble Hollow, established that business and carried it on in a small way awhile, when he abandoned it for chair making, the principal occupation of his later years. He has the honor of being the oldest

living chair manufacturer in town. He is a quiet, unpretending man, but conscientious, upright, and exemplary in his private character, and in all the relations of life. He m. (1) Ellen E., dau. Thomas Damon of Fg., Jan. 24, 1839, by whom he had 1 chd. Soon after its birth the mother d., and he m. (2) Aug. 13, 1840, Eunice, dau. of Smyrna and Ruth (Whitney) Whitney. The date of his first wife's d. was Dec. 5, 1839. His second w. passed away in 1891. Chn.:

2. ELLEN E.⁷, b. Nov. 26, 1839; m. John N. Harrington; res. Fg.; 8 chn.
3. CHARLES F.⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1842; m. Harriet E. Spofford; res. W.
4. JULIA W.⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1844; m. Samuel L. Noyes; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; living.
5. GEORGE W.⁷, b. July 25, 1848; unm.; living.
6. EUNICE W.⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1852; { twins; { d. Aug. 7, 1853.
7. EDWARD P.⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1852; { m. Adalaide E. Forbush; res. Ash;
1 chd.; living.
8. FRANCILIA⁷, b. May 12, 1850; m. James D. Cogswell; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; 1.
9. MARY S.⁷, b. Aug. 23, 1862; m. Fred. W. Mossman; res. W.

[3.] LOMBARD, CHARLES F.⁷, s. of the last, m. Harriet E., dau. John T. and Submit Spofford, Peterboro', N. H., Nov. 6, 1866, and set. near his parents. He d. Jan. 28, 1885, leaving 2 chn.:

10. ARTHUR C.⁸, b. June 27, 1868; m. Lillian E. Holden; res. Ash.
11. FRANK W.⁸, b. June 5, 1871.

1. LORD, WALTER E., s. of Ira and Angelina (Young) Lord, formerly of Orange, was b. Otter River, Temp., April 13, 1852. He m. Helen M., dau. Nahum and Phebe (Perley) Howe, Fitzwilliam, N. H. He came to W. in 1881, as Station agent in the service of the Fg. R. R., and remained in that position till his d., May 18, 1890. For several years he held the office of P. M., but was relieved of the position on account of the treachery of a substitute whom the R. R. Co. furnished to fill his place during a temporary absence. No chn.

1. LOVEWELL, AMASA, s. of Isaac and Eliza (Moulton) Lovewell, was b. Hub., Oct. 22, 1826. He m. (1) Harriet A., dau. Josiah and Harriet (Graves) Conant, Gr., May 25, 1848. She d. May 16, 1881, but whether she left chn. or not he does not report. He m. (2) Ida J. (Whitney), wid. of Oscar E. Whitmore, Oct. 3, 1884. A blacksmith. They have 1 chd.:

2. ERNEST A., b. April 15, 1882?

3. LOVEWELL, JOHN H., s. of Leonard and Louisa, was b. Gr., Aug. 7, 1831. He m. Dec. 16, 1863, Eliza C., dau. John and Caroline (Phillips) Foscett, and res. in Gr. ab. 16 yrs., when they rem. to W. Chn.:

4. CORA L., b. Dec. 23, 1864; d. June 4, 1865.
5. CHESTER J., b. June 4, 1866; d. April 6, 1872.
6. EMMA J., b. June 28, 1870; d. Aug. 27, 1870.
7. HELEN D., b. July 17, 1878.

1. LUCAS, HENRY¹, a native of Manchester, Eng., was b. Feb. 14, 1818. In the early days of the paper-making industry here, he came to town and located at Wachusettville, where he res. till a recent date. His w. was Jane, dau. Thomas and Sarah Henderson, also of English birth. She d. June 23, 1875, a. 49. Chn.:

2. HENRY A.², b. Dec. 15, 1844; killed in paper mill, Jan. 9, 1863.
3. GEORGE W.², b. Aug. 16, 1846; d. July 18, 1849.
4. ALLEN E.², b. Dec. 2, 1847; d. July 12, 1849.
5. CHARLES A.², b. Sept. 12, 1849; m. Ida May Leland; res. Bristol, N. H.; 2 chn.
6. GEORGE W.², b. Jan. 1, 1852; m. Cora Leland; res. W.; 1 chd.
7. JANE E.², b. July 20, 1857; m. F. Abbot Curtis; res. W.; 4 chn.
8. ALICE S.², b. Dec. 21, 1863; d. April 27, 1874.
9. FRED H.², b. July 15, 1865.

LYNDE.

Thomas Lynde¹ was b. in Eng. in 1593-4, and emigrated to this country when 40 yrs. of age; set. first at Wollaston (Quincy) and later in Charlestown, where he was made freeman in 1634-5 and d. in 1671. He was a public-spirited man, held many offices in the town, and was Dea. of the chh. His s. Thomas², distinguished by the title of "Ensign," located in Malden and had a s. Joseph³, whose descendants have lived in W. during both the earlier and later periods of its history, as noted below.

1. LYNDE, JOSEPH⁴, s. of the last named and his w. Elizabeth, was b. Malden, Sept. 2, 1690. He was one of the first proprietors of Nar. No. 2., though not a Grantee, and a res. in 1741. He was the owner of lot No. 9, the N. E. corner of which was near the site of the present dwelling of Reuben P. Merriam. He built a house on the W. side of the road leading to the Damon place, not far from the So. W. crossing, some indications of the cellar of which may still be recognized. (See A. H. No. 65.) He was not in town many years, but received a bounty for improving and settling his claim, "having 20 acres cleared" in 1751, and "a good house," then occupied by Robert Sever. He returned to Malden where he d. in 1763. In his will, dated April 11, 1757, he ordered his lands in this township, which were considerable in extent, to be divided among 6 of his chn., one other, wid. Elizabeth Green⁵, being deceased, and a second, Nathan⁵, having been previously provided for. This Nathan⁵ was prob. f. of William⁶, one of the first settlers of Gr. The youngest dau. of Joseph⁴, Lydia⁵, m. Nathan Howard, and received, as her portion of the paternal estate, lot No. 54, the late Thomas Merriam place, on which they subsequently located. Mr. Lynde m. Mary Sprague, Oct. 21, 1714, and had 8 chn. One of his sons, Joseph⁵, was f. of Benjamin⁶, who owned lands in this town on Bragg Hill, derived from the estate of his gd.f. Benjamin erected a house there and was an occasional resident on the premises, but prob. not a voting citizen.

2. LYNDE, BENJAMIN⁷, s. of the last, b. 1784, came to W. after arriving at mature age, and took possession of a portion

of the lands just mentioned. These included lot No. 51, 2d. Div., and contiguous territory—90 a. in all. A dwelling was on the premises in 1796, when the tn. voted "to place a Sch. Ho. 30 or 40 rods W. of Mr. Loynds house." It was occupied two yrs. later, when the U. S. tax lists were made out, by Abel Mosman. (See A. H. No. 14.) Benjamin Lynde⁷, the permanent settler, m. Nancy, dau. Samuel and Hannah Larrabee of Malden, who 6 yrs. after her husband's decease, Oct. 3, 1826, m. John Jackson. By her first husband she had 4 chn., but none by the second. She d. Feb. 8, 1869, a. 84. Chn. of Benj. and Nancy:

3. EDWIN⁸; no date of birth found; went West and d. some years since.
4. ALONZO⁸; same as Edwin.
5. JOHN⁸, b. Oct. 26, 1823; m. Lucy Kendall; res. W.
6. NANCY⁸; b. date unkn.; m. Jonas N. Whitney; res. W.; 2 chn.; dec'd.

[5.] LYNDE, JOHN⁸, s. of the last, m. Lucy, dau. Edward W. and Lydia (Hoar) Kendall, April 7, 1847. He is both farmer and chair maker, res. on the original Dea. Thurston place, more recently owned by Almond Derby. Chn.:

7. ELLEN M.⁹, b. July 1, 1849; m. Irwin Platts; res. Ash.
8. ADA E.⁹, b. April 4, 1852; m. Albert Lane; res. W.; no chn.
9. EDWARD B.⁹, b. Dec. 7, 1853; m. Florence A. Barron; res. W.
10. L. EMMA⁹, b. Sept. 17, 1856; m. Charles L. Mansur; 4 chn.; res. W.
11. JENNIE L.⁹, b. May 15, 1859; m. Wm. S. Rice; res. W.; 1 chd.
12. CHESTER E.⁹, b. April 12, 1873; res. W.

[9.] LYNDE, EDWARD B.⁹, s. of the last, is a butcher and market man, living on the former Jonas Cutting place, corner Main and Bacon sts. He m. Jan. 27, 1875, Florence A., dau. Wm. B. and Phebe D. (Estey) Barron, and has 3 chn.:

13. LESTER E.¹⁰, b. Jan. 7, 1879.
14. GRACE F.¹⁰, b. Nov. 2, 1883.
15. ELWIN B.¹⁰, b. July 20, 1887.

MANN.

On the 15th of Jan., 1644, Richard Man¹ (as the name was then and for some time afterward spelled) took the oath of fidelity in the plantation of Satuit (now Scituate) in this state. He occupied a pleasant swell of land sloping to the sea, known still by the name derived from him—Mann Hill—the seat of several elegant summer residences. He came into possession of a large estate, which he distributed to his several chn. by a will still preserved in the Plymouth Co. Prob. Off. His death occurred prematurely, by the breaking of the ice on Musquascut Pond, near his home, as he was crossing it, Feb., 1655. He had a s. Richard², f. of Nathaniel³, whose s. John⁴ was an early res. of Hebron, Conn. There was a John⁵ in the next generation, who m. Lydia Porter, also of Hebron, and went with her on horseback through the wilderness to Orford, N. H., becoming the first permanent settler in that town, and raising a fam. of 15 chn.

I. MANN, CYRUS⁶, s. of John⁵ and Lydia, was b. April 3, 1785. The following sketch of him is furnished by his son, Cyrus S. Mann, M. D.:

"Cyrus Mann grad. at D. C. in 1806. Immediately after, he became Principal of Gilmanton, N. H., Academy and continued in that position 2 yrs. He then took charge of a High School in Troy, N. Y., and at the same time commenced the reading of law. At the end of a year, so industrious had been his occupation of time, he was offered a partnership with a lawyer of the place, who was doing a large and lucrative business. But Providence had other designs for him. In 1809 he was appointed tutor in his Alma Mater, an office which he accepted and held for 5 yrs. While there he determined to devote his life to the Gospel Ministry, and, in connection with the discharge of the duties of his position, pursued the study of theology under the guidance of Prof. Shurtleff. Soon after leaving Hanover he was set. in W. as a colleague with Rev. Asaph Rice, who had been the minister of the town for half a century, and here he remained as a pastor for more than 26 years. After leaving W. he was never installed, but preached for the Robinson Chh., Plymouth, 3 yrs., and for the Cong. Chh., No. Falmouth, 4 yrs.

"At W. by his personal efforts an Academy was founded and sustained, which was of great service to the cause of education in Worc. Co. He was one of the earliest and most active laborers in the Temperance Reform, and no man in his vicinity did better service in that noble work of philanthropy. One of the books which he wrote was a 'History of the Temperance Reformation.' Of delicate health from early youth, he struggled on with a perseverance, industry, and application worthy of honor, and which never forsook him, even in the later yrs. of his life, during the last nine of which disease of the throat and lungs had so enfeebled him that few men would have considered themselves capable of any labor. He was a deeply religious, earnest man, seeking, not only in the pulpit, but in all the affairs of life, what he believed to be the best welfare of the community. Although of dignified and quiet manner, he had a warm heart and a quick appreciation of humor or wit. He was at first a Whig in politics, and a great admirer of Daniel Webster, and afterward an earnest Republican. A kind Providence spared him the pain of living to see the country, which he loved with a pure patriotism, torn by civil war. Mr. Mann d. at Stoughton, Mass., Feb. 9, 1859, and was buried at Leom."

Mr. Mann, it may be furthermore said, was a minister of the old school, holding fast to the stern features of the Calvinistic faith in which he thoroughly believed, and which he preached with commendable fidelity and zeal. He was a man of sound scholarship and studious habits, interested in the public schools of the town as well as in the Academy, of which he was practically the founder, serving for several years in their behalf as a member of the School Committee. Besides the work already named, he was the author of "A Treatise upon Trigonometry"; a volume upon "The Sabbath"; and one upon "The Evidences of Christianity." He prepared a "Memoir of Myra W. Allen," which was published, and several of his sermons were given to the press.

Rev. Mr. Mann m. April 17, 1817, Nancy, dau. of Joseph and Persis (Miles) Sweetser of Athol, who was b. Christmas day, 1790. Of excellent parentage and good natural endowments enriched by culture and consecrated by deep religious feeling, Mrs. Mann was well fitted for the responsible duties of her position as the wife of a clergyman, and acquitted herself with credit and honor. Interested in all good works and active in the church and Sabbath school, she did much to aid her hus-

band in his professional labors, and to promote the moral and spiritual welfare of the community and town. She d. Aug 9, 1871. The chn. of Rev. Cyrus and Nancy S. Mann were:

2. CYRUS S.⁷, b. April 12, 1820; m. Harriet P. Field, Boston; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.
3. ANN MARIA⁷, b. March 2, 1823; m. Rev. J. F. Norton; res. Natick; 1 chd.; 1.
4. ADELIA P.⁷, b. Jan. 2, 1826; m. J. Q. A. Johnson; res. Washington, etc.; 1 chd.; d. Nov., 1892.

Cyrus S. Mann (2) was educated in the common schools and Academy of W. and at Amherst Coll. He studied medicine at Harvard, graduating in 1843. He has practiced his profession in Stoughton and Newton, and in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he has res. for many years. He was surgeon of the 31st Regt., M. V., during the war of the Rebellion. He m. Harriet P. Field of Boston, and has 3 chn.: Edward Cyrus, M. D., Justin, and Henry F.

Ann Maria (3) is a lady of culture and refinement, and the wid. of a Congregational (Trinitarian) clergyman, Rev. John F. Norton, the author of a valuable "History of Fitzwilliam, N. H." She is now a widow and res. in Natick. Her only chd., Lewis Mills, studied at the Mass. Inst. of Technology, and also at the Univ. of Gottingen, Germany, where he received the degree of PH. D. in 1879. He is Prof. of Industrial and Organic Chemistry in the Inst. of Technology, Boston.

Adelia Porter (4), a bright, scholarly woman of great worth, m. a Boston gentleman who was more or less in the employ of the U. S. government. She res. much in Washington, D. C., but after the death of her husband, a few years since, made her home with her sister, Mrs. Norton, in Natick. She d. Nov., 1892, a. 66, leaving 1 son, a grad. of Harvard in 1881, receiving the degree of PH. D. in 1883, and at present employed on literary work by Appleton & Co., New York City.

5. MANN, EBENEZER⁵, who, with his w., Mary (Bullard) Mann,—the parents of Mrs. Levi Allen,—spent some years in W., was of an entirely different stock from the preceding. He descended from Wm. Man¹, who was b. in Kent Co., Eng., 1607, and who, coming to this country, set. in Camb. in 1635. His s., Rev. Samuel Man², was a clergyman of superior ability, character, and standing,—the esteemed minister for many yrs. of the town of Milton. From him the line ran prob. through Wm.³ of Dedham (including Medfield) and Elijah⁴, who had Ebenezer⁵, b. Oct. 25, 1750, the subject of this notice. Most of the active life of Mr. and Mrs. Mann was spent in Hub., where their 9 chn. were b. In the feebleness of age they came to live with their dau., aforesaid, and husband, who cared for them with filial kindness and fidelity. They were m. Nov. 20, 1777, and lived together two-thirds of a century. He d. July 31, 1844, a. 94. She d. Dec. 26, 1847, a. 90.

The Hon. Horace Mann⁶, distinguished as an educator, philanthropist, and statesman,—the first Sec. of the State Board of Education, a Rep. in Congress, an eloquent champion of Freedom, and the first Pres. of Antioch College, O., was of the same descent, by the following line—Wm.¹, Samuel², Thomas³, Nathan⁴, Thomas⁵, Horace⁶. Until ab. the 5th generation the name was spelled with a single n, but subsequently, as it now universally appears — Mann.

1. MANSUR, LORENZO, ptge., etc., unknown, was b. Rumford, Me., Feb. 22, 1819. He m., prob. 1846, Charlotte A. Read, who was b. at St. John, N. B., Dec. 1, 1821. After res. in

Boston a few years they came to W. in 1852, where the last years of his life were spent. He d. Oct. 21, 1887, a. 68. She d. Aug. 12, 1887, a. 65. Chn.:

2. MARY J., b. Boston, Aug. 14, 1847; d. W., Feb. 14, 1871; unm.
3. HELEN B., b. B., Dec. 13, 1849; d. B., March 16, 1850.
4. CHARLES L., b. B., Dec. 25, 1851; m. L. Emma Lynde; res. W.
5. RICHARD H., b. W., Aug. 6, 1859; m. and res. Pn.; a physician.

[4.] MANSUR, CHARLES L., s. of the last, a painter by trade, m. Sept. 29, 1875, L. Emma, dau. John and Lucy (Kendall) Lynde. Chn.:

6. ERNEST C., b. Nov. 11, 1876.
7. C. HERBERT, b. Aug. 26, 1878.
8. ARTHUR K., b. Oct. 25, 1880; d. Aug. 10, 1882.
9. LEON E., b. Aug. 25, 1884.

MARSH.

Several persons bearing this name appeared in this country at nearly the same time in its history, settling in different localities, and becoming the heads of long and honorable lines of descendants. One of them, John¹, was at Hartford, Conn., 1635, where he lived till 1660, when he rem. with his fam. to Hadley in this state. By his w., Anne, dau. of John Webster, a Gov. of Conn. Colony, he had Daniel², f. of Ebenezer³, who m. Mary Parsons, of which union came the first minister of W.

I. MARSH, ELISHA⁴, s. of Ebenezer³ and Mary P., was b. Hadley, May 27, 1713. He grad. Harvard Coll. 1738, studied theology at Camb., and was set. at Nar. No. 2, Oct. 20, 1742. After preaching here 15 yrs. he was somewhat summarily dismissed, and never afterwards assumed a pastorate. (See Chap. VIII.) He remained in tn. as private citizen, storekeeper, legal and financial adviser, etc., till 1770, when he went to Walpole, N. H., where he entered upon the practice of law. In that profession he attained creditable success, becoming in after years Judge of the Ct. of Com. Pleas for Cheshire Co. In the summer of 1784, while riding on horseback in Roxbury, whither he had gone with a drove of cattle for the Boston market, he was thrown to the ground, receiving injuries which resulted in his death. He rallied from the shock first experienced, however, sufficiently to be taken to his w.'s relatives in Lanc., but gradually sank away and expired a few weeks later, in the 72d yr. of his age.

Mr. Marsh m. (1) wid. Deborah (Lorin) Lothrop of Boston, by whom he had 2 (?) chn. Her death occurred in 1756, and she was buried in the old cemetery, her grave being marked by a stone bearing the inscription:

"In memory of Mrs. Deborah Marsh, Consort of Rev. Elisha Marsh, who deceased on ye 21st of Nov. Anno Domini, 1756, Aetatis 39."

He m. (2) Susannah, dau. of Ephraim Wilder of Lanc., and wid. of Col. Samuel Willard of Lancaster, who d. in the F. and I. War, July 25, 1759. One s. at least was the fruit of this union. Chn.:

2. ELISHA⁶, b. March 28, 1750-1; m. — Luther; res. Pompey, N. Y.
3. SARAH⁶, b. at unkn. date; m. Thomas Brigden; res. W.; no chn.; d. in 1774.
4. BENJAMIN⁶, b. at date unkn; m. Hannah Graves; res. Chesterfield, N. H.; sev. chn.

Another of the several immigrants named Marsh, referred to above, was George¹, who in 1635, with his w. and 4 chn., accompanied his pastor, Rev. Peter Hobart, and twenty other families, mostly from Hingham in the mother country, to these shores, and assisted in founding the old town of Hingham, christening it in honor of the place from which they came. He d. July 2, 1647, leaving a s. Thomas², who also had a Thomas³, the f. of Caleb⁴, b. ab. 1700. The latter m. Sarah Whiton and had Stephen⁵, who was b. Hingham, 1731, and who d. W., Feb. 28, 1812. The w. of Stephen⁵ was Mercy Beal from Cohasset, who d. in 1804. The two came here late in life to spend their last days with their s., a permanent resident of the town, as set forth below.

5. MARSH, SAMUEL⁶, s. of Stephen⁵ and Mary, was b. in Hingham, Aug. 19, 1763. He m. Sarah, dau. of Jeremiah Lincoln of his native place, Oct. 3, 1790, and after a few yrs. res. there, came to W. in 1802, purchasing, March 15, of Oliver Whitcomb, parts of lots 81 and 82, 2d Div., constituting what was more recently known as the Luther Barrell farm, near the Ash. line, on the No. Branch Turnpike. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh remained here some yrs., but eventually rem. to Lunenburg, where she d. June 7, 1844, a. 78; and he, Aug. 20, 1847, a. 84. Chn.:

6. SAMUEL⁷, b. Hingham, Oct. 22, 1791; m. Mary Puffer; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 9, 1877. [d. 1892.]
7. SALLY⁷, b. Hingham, July 14, 1798; m. Rev. Stephen Puffer; res. W., etc.;

[6.] MARSH, SAMUEL⁷, s. of the last, came to W. with his f. in 1802, and growing to manhood here, m. Oct. 9, 1814, Mary, dau. of Jonas and Lucy (Forbush) Puffer. He remained on the home farm for some years after his f. removed to L., but finally followed him thither ab. 1820, spending the remainder of his days there. He was an earnest, conscientious Methodist, his zeal in behalf of his accepted faith causing his death. During a great "revival" in 1877, he had attended and taken more or less active part in five distinct services on Sunday, Dec. 9, under the mental and physical strain and excitement of which the thread of his mortal life gave way, and he suddenly expired at the age of 86. His w., Mary, d. 3 yrs. before, Dec. 21, 1874, a. 82. Chn.:

8. MARY⁸, b. Feb. 21, 1816; m. Henry W. Freeman, Lunenburg.
9. SARAH⁸, b. Aug. 22, 1820; m. Perry Whiting, Lunenburg?
10. STEPHEN P.⁸, b. July 21, 1823; nothing further found.

MARSHALL. Few names found in the annals of W., and attaining to some distinction here and in Fg., have proved more perplexing than this, and in few cases has the endeavor to trace the lineage, etc., been less productive of satisfactory results. What is given in these pages, therefore, must be fragmentary and imperfect, including little more than the meager facts pertaining to the families that at different times have res. in town. The earliest was:

1. MARSHALL, SILAS, coming from Tewksbury, it is believed, ab. 1768, but going after a few yrs. no one knows whither. A somewhat extensive treatise upon "The Marshall Family" throws no light upon him or his supposed-to-be-kinsman mentioned below; and town and county records supply little information in either case. That he owned real estate while here appears from the Assessors' books, though it has been found impossible to fix its location. The name of his w. was Eunice —, and they had chn. as follows:

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| 2. SILAS, b. Aug. 6, 1769. | 3. ELSIE, b. March 22, 1771. |
| 4. MARY, b. Jan. 24, 1773. | 5. THADDEUS, b. Feb. 5, 1775. |
| 6. HANNAH, b. Oct. 28, 1776. | |

7. MARSHALL, BENJAMIN, was b. Fg., Dec. 25, 1771. He studied medicine, though with whom or where does not appear, and came to W. ab. 1800, establishing himself as a resident physician and spending his days in town. For sev. yrs. he was in the Minister Marsh ho. on the Common, which he purchased, with some contiguous lands, of Farwell Jones in 1801. He sold to Dr. Isaac Warren and bought a part of the Estabrook farm, in the east part of the town, where he subsequently lived. He m. (1) Jan. 15, 1796, Phebe, dau. of Jonathan Flint of Fg., who bore him 1 chd. and soon after dec'd. He then m. (2) Adah Upton, Fg., who bore him 6 chn. and survived him. She subsequently m. Wm. Hoar, s. of Timothy and Lydia. He d. March 17, 1812, a. 40. Adah, his wid., and wid. also of Wm. Hoar, d. Aug. 12, 1867, a. 89. Chn.:

8. J. FLINT, b. 1798; m. Mary —, and res. Fg.
9. PHEBE, b. Jan. 16, 1801; m. Aaron Sawin; res. several places; 9 chn.; dec'd.
10. CHEDORLAOMER, b. March 25, 1803; m. Martha F. Upton; res. Fg.; sev. chn.; d. June 21, 1863.
11. DIREXA, b. July 25, 1805; m. Joseph B. Cutting; res. Worc.; sev. chn.; d. Aug. 16, 1858.
12. MARY P., b. April 18, 1808; } twins; { m. Aaron P. Flower; res. N. J.; 2 chn.; l.
13. LINCOLN, b. April 18, 1808; } d. unm. April 18, 1868.
14. MIRANDA, b. March 10, 1811; m. Charles Cobb; res. Lanc.; 8 chn.; d. Oct. 18, 1886.

15. MARSHALL, JOSEPH T., s. of Abram and Charlotte (Turner) Marshall of Lunenburg, was b. Brattleboro', Vt., Nov. 21, 1835. He was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion ab. 14 mos., serving on the quota of Fg., under Cols. Reno and Clark, 21st Regt., was at battles of Roanoke, Sulphur Springs, 2d Bull Run, etc., and was discharged for disability. He m. just after he enlisted, Aug. 15, 1861, Julia, dau. of Augustus and Amanda (Patridge) Lamb, but they have had no chn. For some yrs. they have res. on the Tilly Baldwin place, below Hobart Raymond's.

1. MARTIN, JOHN, s. of John and Elizabeth, who rem. from Ipswich to Lunenburg in 1739, was b. Oct. 12, 1740. He came to W. early with his w., Betty, and was warned out of town, 1763. On April 15, the previous year, he bought lot No. 112,

2d Div., subsequently the Chesmore place, in the extreme north part of the town, and there he lived and there d. Sept. 3, 1810, a. 69. His w. d. June 2, 1807, a. 65. They had a large family of chn., of whom little has been learned:

2. SAMUEL, b. March 28, 1763; m. Anne Gibson, etc., Fg.; res. W.
3. LUCY, b. Oct. 23, 1765; m. Thomas Gibson; res. Fg.
4. JOHN D., b. June 16, 1767; d. March 18, 1795.
5. BARZELA, b. Aug. 21, 1768; prob. d. young.
6. BATTY, b. Aug. 18, 1770; m. Nathaniel Sawyer; res. Rutland.
7. MOLLY, b. July 4, 1772; m. Daniel Poor; res. Winchendon.
8. PRUDENCE, b. Sept. 7, 1774; m. Elisha Hall; res. W.
9. SARAH, b. Dec. 18, 1776; prob. d. young.
10. PATTY, b. Nov. 17, 1778; m. Jonas Pollard; res. Ash.
11. GEORGE, b. March 10, 1782; m. Zilpah Townsend; res. W.

[2.] MARTIN, SAMUEL, s. of the last, m. Anne Gibson of Fg., June 15, 1786, and set. on his father's estate, where 4 chn. were b. to them. But things did not go well in the family. According to Samuel's statement made to the Ct. at Worc., in 1797, Anne was a very undutiful wife and mother, and he sues for a divorce. Whether he gets it or not does not appear. She is said to have d. not long after at Coleraine. Other domestic troubles afflicted the poor man. In the *Mass. Spy* of Sept. 2, 1807, he advertises for a runaway dau., Abigail, offering a reward of five dollars for her capture and return. Evidently not a happy family thus far. Mr. Martin m. (2) Martha Cummings of Petersham, to whom he was pub. Oct. 13, 1810, and it is hoped found domestic peace and joy. He was released from all his earthly toils and trials, July 18, 1823, a. 65. His chn., so far as known, were:

12. ANNA, b. Jan. 4, 1787; m. Richard L. Monroe; res. Dorchester.
13. ABIGAIL, b. June 28, 1789; the unfilial dau. mentioned.
14. SAMUEL, b. Nov. 29, 1791.
15. BETSEY, b. Feb. 9, 1793.

[11.] MARTIN, GEORGE, bro. of the last, m. Zilpah Townsend of Mason, N. H. (pub. May 5), 1807, and had 2 chn., then prob. moved from town, as nothing farther has been found concerning him or his family. Chn.:

16. HAMA WILDER, b. Dec. 11, 1807.
17. HANNAH DUNSTER, b. Nov. 21, 1810.

18. MARTIN, EPHRAIM, lineage untraced, came from Philipston ab. 1828, having been pub. Oct. 12, of that year, to Tryphena S., dau. Peletiah and Dorcas F. Everett. He built the small ho. near the Gilman Thurston dwelling in the W. part of central village and there res. while he remained in town. His wife came to a tragic death, Dec. 15, 1843, having set her clothes on fire in a fit of temporary insanity. Nothing later known of him or his surviving chn.

19. GEORGE AUGUSTUS, b. Barre, Aug. 22, 1830.
20. JOHN LEONARD, b. W., July 22, 1835.
21. MARIETTA, b. W., Jan. 8, 1838.
22. HARRIET SANDERSON, b. W., July 2, 1840; d. April 15, 1860; unm.
23. SUSAN MIRANDA, b. W., Sept. 28, 1842; d. Sept. 25, 1843.

MAY.

John May¹ was b. at Mayfield, Sussex Co., Eng., in 1590. He came early to this country, set. in Roxbury, and was a member of Eliot's chh. Among his chn. was John², the f. of another John³, whose s. Samuel⁶ went to Lancaster and became the common ancestor of those of the name living in that vicinity. He had a s. Thomas⁶, b. July 25, 1759, the f. of Levi⁷, who m. Deborah Wilder, and lived in what is now W. Sterling. Two of the sons of Levi⁷ and Deborah res. in W.

1. MAY, NOAH⁸, b. July 3, 1797, was pub. to Clarissa, dau. Moses May of Leominster, a distant relative, April 7, 1822. In 1825 he purchased the place formerly belonging to Samuel Mosman, Jr., in the north part of the town, now owned by Charles S. Smith, where he afterwards lived. He d. April 9, 1874, a. 76. Clarissa, his w., d. May 27, 1862, a. 63. A second w., Betsey Allen, whom he m. Aug. 14, 1862, d. Oct. 4, 1877, a. 57. Chn.:

2. EMORY⁹, b. June 13, 1825; m. and res. Gr.

3. STEPHEN⁹, b. Aug. 16, 1828; m. Martha S. Nutting; res. W.

4. SUSAN⁹, b. Feb. 28, 1837; d. Oct. 17, 1841.

Other chn. of Noah and Clarissa May, not named in the records, d. young.

[3.] MAY, STEPHEN⁹, s. of the last, m. Martha L., dau. of Marcus and Philindia Nutting of Groton, and res. in tn. a few yrs., when they left for parts unkn. While here they had:

5. ALONZO F.¹⁰, b. July 22, 1869.

6. EDWARD H.¹⁰, b. Nov. 30, 1871.

7. EMMA J.¹⁰, b. Aug. 11, 1873.

8. ELINDA J.¹⁰, b. Aug. 1, 1875.

9. MAY, SUMNER⁸, bro. of Noah (1), was b. July 18, 1799. He m. Myra, dau. of Nathan and Milly (Baker) Eaton, Nov. 15, 1821, and res. for some yrs. in W. He was a chair maker, and with a Mr. Ray started the business of getting out chair stock, in a mill located on a small stream west of the present dwelling of Eugene Gates. He went from W. to Gr., and thence to Ash., where he d. Feb. 9, 1879, a. 79. His w. d. May 4, 1861, a. 60, and he m. (2) Mrs. Philetta Johnson of Temp. Chn.:

10. AUGUSTUS⁹, b. Oct. 14, 1822; { m. Lorena Cram; res. Gr.

11. AUGUSTINE⁹, b. Oct. 14, 1822; { twins; { m. Elizabeth Reed; res. So. Ash.

12. JOEL WILDER⁹, b. Feb. 2, 1825; m. Mary Bosworth; res. Newfield, N. J.

13. CHARLES SUMNER⁹, b. April 10, 1827; res. unkn. Ash.

Besides these, there were 5 others b. Ash., 1829-1839: — Harriet E.⁹, George W.⁹, Sarah E.⁹, Orange S.⁹ (P. M. at So. Ash.), and Achsah I.⁹, who m. Stephen C. Whitney of W.

MAYNARD.

The families in N. E. distinguished by this name have been and are for the most part descendants of John¹, an immigrant who, in 1639, was located in that part of Sudbury which is now Wayland. He was a man of affairs, holding public office and owning lands in Marlboro', where he set. his s. John², who was b. in Eng., 1630. This John² m. Mary, dau. of Stephen Gates of Lanc. and Cambl., and had David³, a prominent citizen of Marlboro', and the f. of David⁴, also of Marlboro', the name of whose w. has not been ascertained.



RESIDENCE OF WILLIAM MAYO.

1. MAYNARD, DAVID⁶, s. of the last, b. ab. 1745, m. June 11, 1767, Sarah Savage, and shortly after bought lot No. 80, 2d Div., in the upper part of Whitman River valley, bordering on Ash. line. There he res. some 30 yrs., when he conveyed his estate to his s. John, and moved to Chittenden, Vt. Himself and w. were members of the chh. in Ash., and there sev. of their chn. were bap. According to the W. records they had the following, though possibly there were others b. before coming here, whose names are not in the list :

2. JOHN⁶, b. March 20, 1772; m. Sarah Tottingham; res. W., etc.
3. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Feb. 5, 1774; res. in W.; helped by the town, 1808.
4. HANNAH⁶, b. April 23, 1776; m. Josephus Rugg of Royalston.
5. DAVID⁶, b. Oct. 30, 1778; m. Lydia Barnes and went to Vt.
6. SOLOMON⁶, b. Jan. 24, 1781.
7. SAMUEL⁶, b. April 15, 1783.
8. POLLY⁶, b. July 28, 1785; m. Peter Bailey; res. Sterling.
9. LYDIA⁶, b. Dec. 16, 1787.
10. EZRA⁶, b. March 30, 1789.

[2.] MAYNARD, JOHN⁶, s. of the last, m. Sarah, dau. of Nathaniel and Esther (Brown) Tottingham (pub. Aug. 23, 1797), about which time he came into possession of his f.'s estate. On the 7th Feb., 1803, he sold to Luther Barrell of Scituate, and rem. to Rutland, Vt. Subsequent history unknown. No chn. recorded. The Maynard dwelling long since disappeared, and even its site can be hardly recognized at the present day. (See A. H. No. 18.)

II. MAYNARD, NATHAN, ptge., etc., untraced, from Sudbury, bought lot No. 27, on which the George Smith house and saw-mill stand, Sept. 26, 1754. He soon after went into the F. and I. War, but d. before 1757, when his will was probated. He left 5 chn.: Charles, Mary, Nathan, Martha, and Patience, of whom nothing further is known.

I. MAYO, WILLIAM, s. of Stephen, the s. of Benjamin, was b. Orange, Feb. 20, 1817. He came to W., 1841, and engaged in the carriage and chair painting business in the central village. A few yrs. later he built the commodious dwelling where he has since resided, and the adjoining shop. He is a man of unpretending worth, justly esteemed and honored by his fellow-townsmen, and in the general community. He held the office of Selectman 1859-63, and was Town Clerk from 1863 to 1875. In the latter year he was re-elected, but resigned at an early day, preferring to give up the position rather than violate the dictates of his conscience in affixing his official signature to licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors,—the town, contrary to its usual custom, having that year voted to authorize the issuance of such documents. Mr. Mayo was elected Representative to the Gen. Ct. from the 5th Worc. Dist. for the civil year 1859. When the bank in W. was established in 1875, he was chosen Cashier, serving in that capacity for 11 yrs.

On the 13th of June, 1843, Mr. Mayo m. Maria, dau. of Martin and Sylvia Goddard of Orange, by whom he has had 3 chn.:

2. EMMA M., b. Sept. 21, 1845; d. Aug. 20, 1847.
3. EMMA F., b. Nov. 8, 1847; m. Milton A. Creed; res. Gr.
4. HAMILTON, b. Feb. 25, 1851; m. twice; res. Leom.

Hamilton Mayo (4) fitted for college in the schools of W. and at Meriden Academy, N. H., and grad. at Dartmouth in 1873. He also grad. at Albany, N. Y., law school in 1874, and the following year opened an office at Leom., where he has attained an honorable position in his profession, and is highly esteemed as a man and citizen. He is Pres. of the Leom. Nat. Bank, Trustee of the Savings Bank, and holds a commission of Trial Justice. Has also served on the Sch. Com. of the town. He has been twice m. and has had 2 chn. His first w. was Florence G. Curtis of Portland, Me., and his present one is Laura, dau. of the late Charles Merriam, Esq., of Leom.

1. MCINTIRE, DAVID, s. of David and Gertrude (Flint) McIntire of Fg., lineage unkn., was b. 1777 (?). He m. Rachel, dau. of Nathaniel and Jerusha (Flint) Sawyer (pub. Oct. 11, 1805), and prob. lived for some years in his native place. Later in life he became a citizen of W., res. on what has been known as the Amos Sawyer place, B. P. Hill. There he d. May 6, 1842, a. 65. He had several chn., presumably b. in Fg. One of them, a s., Simon H., d. W., Sept. 13, 1839, a. 20; and a dau., Eliza A., d. Sept. 17, 1842, a. 17. Another s.:

2. MCINTIRE, FRANK, was a resident of W. for quite a while, living in the same house with his f. Of his family nothing has been ascertained. He was Selectman in 1841 and 1842, and member of the Sch. Com., 1840, 1841. He is said to have moved from W. to Springfield, Vt., thence to Charlestown, N. H., and finally to Prov., R. I., where he is supposed to have d. many years since.

3. MCINTIRE, FLINT, another s. of David and Jerusha, was b. Fg., Oct. 12, 1789. He m. 1807 (?) Anna Burgess from Ash., adopted dau. of Solomon and Alovisa (Kendall) Laws, and set. on the old Thomas Laws place, in the extreme north part of the town, in the house now owned by Malachi Hessian. He was a man of more than ordinary ability, of good common sense and practical judgment, and of sterling moral worth. His fellow-citizens, appreciating his fitness for the important duties of an Assessor, elected him to a place on the board for eight years. He d. March 6, 1845, a. 55. His w., Anna, d. Oct., 1877, a. 94. Chn.:

4. MARY B., b. July 17, 1808; m. Norman Stowe; res. Fg.; 6 chn.; d. Mar. 27, 1886.
5. DAVID F., b. Feb. 17, 1812; m. Zabiah Upton; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. July 22, 1887.
6. DOLLY S., b. July 12, 1814; m. Wm. Parks; res. Fg.; 4 chn.; living.
7. JULIANN, b. July 23, 1817; m. James Collier; res. Fg.; 4 chn.; d. Mar. 27, 1871.
8. FARRINGTON, b. June 29, 1819; m. twice.
9. ELLEN M., b. May 4, 1822; m. Warren C. Upton; res. Fg.; 3 chn.
10. LINCOLN, b. Aug. 2, 1824; m. Sarah Sampson; d. March 31, 1850.

Farrington McIntire (8) prepared for college at the New Ipswich, N. H., Academy, grad. at Harvard 1843, and at Camb. Divinity School 1846. He was ordained and set. over the First Parish (Unit.), Brattleboro', Vt., the following spring, where he remained only a year — his only pastorate. He then went to Cal., returning in a year and a half and supplying the pulpit awhile at Kennebunk, Me. He subsequently had for some years a school for boys at Grafton. More recently he

has preached in different localities as a temporary supply, and has given much attention to the subject of astronomy, upon which he has lectured throughout this section of country. He m. (1) Caroline Frost of Kennebunk, and (2) Caroline Fisher of Lancaster, by the latter of whom he has had 2 chn. He now res. at Wollaston, near Boston.

1. McTAGGART, ROBERT, s. of James, was b. in Glasgow, Scotland, at a date unnamed. After migrating to this country he res. for some years at the far West, whence he came to this tn. in Aug., 1883, and located upon the Amos Sawyer farm on B. P. Hill. Not long since he sold his place and rem. to Fg. He m. at Carson City, Nev., Aug. 12, 1880, Amelia, dau. of Wm. Baker of Huntington, Pa. Their chn. are:

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| 2. OLIVE, b. Aug. 21, 1881. | 3. ARCHIE, b. Feb. 21, 1884. |
| 4. FLORENCE, b. July 21, 1885. | 5. MABEL, b. Sept. 14, 1887. |

MEAD, JOHN, unplaced, but prob. s. of Israel and Sarah of Lexington, and bro. of Sarah who m. Nathan Pierce, b. June 2, 1745, was here as early as 1775, when his name first appears in the tax lists. He seems to have been the owner of 2d Div. lots Nos. 71 and 72, built upon by James How some 10 yrs. before, a part of which he sold to Samuel Mosman of Pn., Dec. 15, 1777. The next year he bought home lot No. 75, lying south of the present Parcher place, which he disposed of the following year. In 1783 he purchased lot No. 94, lying north of the Winship farm, but conveyed it to Isaac Puffer 2 yrs. later. He was subsequently in Hub., but in W. again in 1791, when he, with w. and 9 chn., was "warned out." He m. Nov. 14, 1770, Beulah Stratton of Hub., but no record of his chn. has been found, though sev. must have been b. here. Nothing further known.

1. MELLEN, JOSHUA, ptge., etc., unascertained, was b. Fram., Jan. 16, 1749. He m. Rebecca Mellen of Hopkinton in 1771, and soon after appeared in W. He owned for a time 2d Div. lot No. 79, which he sold to Elisha Whitney in 1780. He afterwards lived on the Jacob Goodale lot, and finally in a ho. that stood in what is now pasture land, a short distance east of Mud Pond. (See A. H. Nos. 24, 6, 13.) He was wretchedly poor, as is remembered by a few persons still living, made so, it is reported, by strong drink, and the family were dependent, more or less, upon public or private aid in consequence, even then often suffering for want of the necessities and comforts of life. In 1820 the town paid Ezra Wood \$11.20 for carrying what remained of the family to Oxford, on what grounds does not appear. There he d., Jan. 30, 1828. Chn.:

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| 2. DOLLY, b. Dec. 8, 1771. | 3. JONATHAN, b. Sept. 6, 1773. |
| 4. JOSHUA, b. Aug. 20, 1775. | 5. CALVIN, b. Sept. 27, 1777. |
| 6. Unnamed, b. April 30, 1779; d. inf. | 7. POLLY, b. March 31, 1780. |
| 8. Unnamed, b. April 19, 1782; d. inf. | 9. REBECCA, b. Jan. 22, 1784. |
| 10. SIMON, b. Feb. 7, 1786. | 11. PERSIS, b. June 5, 1788. |
| 12. SUKEY, b. July 15, 1792. | |

MERRIAM.

The story of three brothers so often told in regard to the immigrant ancestors of N. E. families, and so often purely apocryphal, is well authenticated in the case now to be considered. Robert¹, George¹, and Joseph Merriam¹, sons of Wm. of Hadlow, Kent Co., Eng., came to this country ab. 1638, and settled in Concord. Robert¹ was a man of prominence there, holding the office of Town Clerk, and serving as Rep. to the Colonial Legislature. He d. in 1681, without issue. George¹ rem. early to Conn., where he had chn., but their descendants have not multiplied to any great extent. One of them, a resident of Dorchester, has been for some yrs. collecting data for a complete genealogy of those bearing the name in America. Joseph¹ remained in the Mass. Colony, and of him came, with the advance of the generations, the Merriams of W. His s. Joseph² m. Sarah Stone, and had Thomas³, b. 1672, who m. Mary Harwood. They were the parents of a second Thomas⁴, who m. Tabitha Stone of Waltham, and located in Lexington. These had at least 8 chn., 5 of whom became permanent residents of W., while another was temporarily here, though finally locating just beyond our borders, in Hub. One of the 5, a dau., m. Nathan Whitney; a second dau. m. Josiah Cutting,—of both of whom due notice may be found in the proper place. A third dau. m. David Whitney of Waltham, bro. of Nathan, and became the gd.mother of Rev. Charles Wellington, D. D., long the esteemed minister of the First Chh. and Society of Temp. Sketches of the sons are appended in the order of their advent in the place.

1. MERRIAM, NATHAN⁵, the second s. of Thomas⁴ and Tabitha, was b. April 7, 1725. He was in Nar. No. 2 in 1751, located nominally on lot No. 81, which he had purchased the year before of Joseph Brooks, though as a matter of fact, his "cleared land and a small house or shed" was at the northeastern extremity of lot No. 82, then recently bought of Daniel Walker, in order that he might have his dwelling near the newly laid out thoroughfare through that section of the township. This was the farm now in possession of Daniel and James S. Harrington. Mr. Merriam m. March 26, 1755, Mary, dau. of Stephen and Melicent Hosmer of Concord. The union, however, was destined to a brief continuance, as he d. the following year. He left no chn. and his property went to his bros. and srs., the home estate not long after passing, as elsewhere narrated, into the possession of Jonas Whitney, gd.f. of the late H. G. Whitney. His wid. m. (2) — Wyman, bef. Nov. 8, 1760, and res. in some one of the lower towns.

2. MERRIAM, THOMAS⁵, a younger bro. of the last, was b. Aug. 27, 1731. He also, though but twenty years of age, was here in 1751, in charge of and "at work" upon lots 83 and 84, now represented by the homesteads of Oliver M. Merriam and Otis Flagg, but then owned by his father. About this time the S. W. portion of these lots was sold to his bro.-in-law, Nathan Whitney, who was in possession of lot No. 90, the present summer home of Edward A. and George C. Whitney, in order that he might have a more eligible and commanding site for his prospective dwelling house. Besides being a tiller of the soil, Mr. M. was a "cordwainer," and interluded his labors on the land with "whipping the cat" and keeping the people of the new

settlement well shod. He was perhaps the first journeyman shoemaker in the township. He m. Sarah, dau. Joshua and Sarah (Keyes) Wilder, at Lanc., Nov. 24, 1762. She was a native of Pn., and is said to have been the first female chd. b. on its territory. Thomas Merriam d. Dec. 20, 1821, a. 90; Sarah, his w., d. Aug. 13, 1819, a. 80. Chn.:

3. SARAH⁶, b. Oct. 2, 1763; m. Isaac Puffer; res. Leyden, N. Y.; sev. chn.
4. JONAS⁶, b. Nov. 21, 1765; m. Anna Clark and Nabby Allen; res. W.
5. TABITHA⁶, b. Nov. 20, 1767; d. Sept. 19, 1769.
6. TABITHA⁶, b. Feb. 22, 1770; d. infancy.
7. ASA⁶, b. May 8, 1772; m. Lucena Puffer; res. W.

[4.] MERRIAM, JONAS⁶, s. of the last, m. (1) Anna, dau. Eli and Lois (Stone) Clarke of Hub., and succeeded to the estate of his father. Both he and his bro., Asa (7), were noted for their story-telling propensities. His w. d. Oct. 4, 1831, a. 60, and he m. (2) Nabby Allen of Pn. He d. Oct. 30, 1857, a. 91. Chn.:

8. JONAS⁷, b. March 21, 1790; m. Prudence Miller; res. W.
9. LUCINDA⁷, b. April 15, 1791; m. Benjamin F. Wood; res. W.
10. JOHN⁷, b. Aug. 2, 1792; m. wid. Sally Severly; res. Gr. and W.
11. POLLY⁷, b. Jan. 18, 1795; d. May 4, 1831, unm.
12. PERSIS⁷, b. Feb. 28, 1798; m. Otis Ware; res. Barre.
13. NANCY⁷, b. Sept. 27, 1801; m. Aaron Wood; res. Gr. and W.
14. CLARK⁷, b. April 11, 1804; m. Lorinda Clarke; res. Pn.
15. SARAH⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1805.
16. T. WILDER⁷, b. Nov. 6, 1811; d. Nov. 3, 1832.

[7.] MERRIAM, ASA⁶, bro. of the last, m. Lucena, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Read) Puffer, May 18, 1797, and set. on lot No. 85, the Temple place, opposite where Wm. J. Black now lives. He d. Feb. 8, 1836, a. 63. His wid. d. Sept. 11, 1851, a. 80. Chn.:

17. SALLY⁷, b. March 18, 1798; m. George Adams; res. W.; d. Oct. 12, 1883.
18. ASA⁷, b. July 7, 1799; m. Sally Warren; res. W. and Hub.; 10 chn.; d. 1886.
19. THOMAS⁷, b. July 23, 1801; m. Betsey Whitney; res. W.
20. REED⁷, b. Oct. 1, 1803; m. twice; res. W.
21. MARY⁷, b. Jan. 13, 1807; m. S. H. Stearns; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 19, 1851.
22. LUCENA⁷, b. March 13, 1809; m. B. F. Murdock; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Jan. 2, 1840.
23. FARWELL⁷, b. March 8, 1811; d. unm. Jan. 20, 1836. [1887.]
24. BETSEY⁷, b. April 24, 1814; m. J. Nelson Minott; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 8,

[8.] MERRIAM, JONAS⁷, s. of Jonas and Anna, m. Prudence, dau. Asa and Bethia (Winship) Miller, June 1, 1819. He lived for a few years in Gr., then returned and settled for life on the Samuel Sawin, now Samuel Bridge, place. He had 9 chn., who had unusual natural talent and taste for music. Jonas Merriam d. Nov. 6, 1857, a. 67. His wid., Prudence, d. Feb. 3, 1873, a. 77. Chn.:

25. ALFRED⁸, b. Jan. 26, 1821; m. Elvira D. Dix; res. W. and Conn.; chn.; dec'd.
26. MARTHA⁸, b. Aug. 28, 1823; d. Sept. 30, 1823.
27. GEORGE W.⁸, b. Oct. 23, 1824; m. twice; res. W.
28. NEWELL A.⁸, b. Oct. 31, 1826; m. Elizabeth Mason; res. Gr. and West; no chn.
29. FRANCIS A.⁸, b. Sept. 4, 1828; m. Eliza Whitney; res. W.
30. CATHARINE H.⁸, b. Oct. 30, 1830; m. Elmer Baker; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. May 6, 1879.

31. MARTHA⁸, b. March 29, 1833; d. March 31, 1833.
 32. AARON W.⁸, b. Aug. 11, 1834; m. Sarah A. Whitney; res. Gr.
 33. T. WILDER⁸, b. May 23, 1840; res. Gr.; unnm.

[10.] MERRIAM, JOHN⁷, bro. of the last, m. wid. Sally Moore Severy, of W. Boylston, whose husband had been killed by a runaway horse, and set. for a time in Gr., where he carried on the business of fulling cloth, at the stand now occupied by the large chair manufactory of Bent Bros. and Co. In 1832 he returned to W., and located on the old homestead, devoting himself to farming for the remainder of his life. He d. Dec. 31, 1858, a. 66. His wid. d. —. Chn.:

34. CALEB S.⁸, b. July 18, 1817; m. Abbie A. Parker; res. W.
 35. ANNA C.⁸, b. Nov. 22, 1819; m. Joseph B. Drury; res. W.; 8 chn.; living.
 36. JONAS⁸, b. March 19, 1823; m. Betsey S. Priest; res. W. and Fg.; 7 chn.
 37. OLIVER M.⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1825; m. Martha Nichols; res. W.
 38. S. REBECCA⁸, b. July 2, 1828; m. Otis Flagg; res. W.; chn.; d.

[19.] MERRIAM, THOMAS⁷, s. of Asa⁶ and Lucena, m. Betsey, dau. John and Elizabeth (Stearns) Whitney (pub. April 7, 1829). He purchased and set. upon the original Nathan Howard place in the easterly part of the town, where he spent his days, dying suddenly Sept. 24, 1877, a. 76. His wid. d. July 15, 1888, a. 89. Chn.:

39. MARY E.⁸, b. June 4, 1830; living W. unnm.
 40. SARAH M.⁸, b. June 7, 1835; living W. unnm.
 41. JOHN F.⁸, b. Aug. 23, 1838; living W. unnm.

[20.] MERRIAM, REED⁷, bro. of the last, succeeded to his father's home estate, building for his own use, it is understood, the house now occupied by Mr. Black. He m. (1) Susan, dau. of Joseph Raymond, March 1, 1832, and (2) Rebecca Maria, dau. of Joseph and Sally (Graves) Minott, Nov. 4, 1834. He was of a nervous, excitable temperament, and during the later years of his life his mind became unbalanced, especially upon the subject of religion, in which, from his early years, he had been deeply interested. He d. March 13, 1884, a. 80. His first w., Susan, d. Oct. 24, 1833, a. 34. The second d. June 21, 1860, a. 51. Chn.:

42. GEORGE PORTER⁸, b. March 20, 1833; d. Aug. 27, 1845.
 43. Name and date of birth not found; d. March 25, 1837.
 44. CHARLES FARWELL⁸, b. Feb. 14, 1840; m. twice; res. W.; dec'd.

[27.] MERRIAM, GEORGE W.⁸, s. of Jonas⁷ and Prudence, m. (1) Lizzie, dau. of Thomas and Sarah (Phillips) Henderson, July 1, 1851, and set. on the original sawmill lot, No. 112, at Wachusettville; a mechanic. His w. d. Nov. 7, 1867, a. 35, and he m. (2) her sr., Sarah A. Henderson, the divorced w. of Stillman M. Carter, May 16, 1876. His buildings were destroyed by fire a few years since, but were soon replaced. He has since sold his property there and now res. on M. H. Hill. Chn.:

45. DORA L.⁹, b. March 21, 1854.
 46. FRANKLIN⁹, b. Feb. 27, 1860; d. June 9, 1864.

[29.] MERRIAM, FRANCIS A.⁸, bro. of the last, m. Eliza, dau. of Jos. H. and Betsey (Pratt) Whitney, May 8, 1851. They res. in Phillipston a few years, but have more recently lived here. He was a sawyer and general mechanic by trade. Gave much attention to music and conducted the choir of the First Parish with praiseworthy success. He d. Feb. 16, 1891, a. 62. Chn.:

47. SARAH E.⁹, b. Feb. 26, 1861; m. F. H. Battles; res. W.; no chn.

48. CLARA L.⁹, b. July 27, 1864; d. Aug. 30, 1865.

[34.] MERRIAM, CALEB S.⁸, s. of John⁷ and Sally, m. July 12, 1843, Abbie A. Parker of Prov., R. I. A man of enterprise, mechanical ingenuity, and public spirit. He began business life on the old homestead, but at an early date transferred his operations to the neighborhood of the R. R. Station, where he has res. during his later years. He has been engaged in manufacturing chairs, getting out chair stock, and in running a grain and flouring mill. The latter branch of business he transferred to his s. Eli a few years since, with the buildings, etc., pertaining to it, he himself putting up the dwelling where he now lives, and shop opposite. By the purchase of the town meadows and conversion of them into a reservoir, he greatly enhanced the value of his own property and of other water privileges on the same stream below. He has served the town some years as Auditor and in other responsible positions. The chn. of Caleb S.⁸ and Abbie A. are:

49. MARTHA S.⁹, b. Nov. 21, 1844; m. Frederic L. Rolph of Lowell; res. Fg.; 1 chd.

50. JAMES B.⁹, b. Dec. 5, 1846; d. Dec. 28, 1848.

51. ELI H.⁹, b. June 4, 1848; m. Abbie L. Davis; res. W.

52. JOHN W.⁹, b. Nov. 28, 1852; m. twice; res. Fg.

53. MARY S.⁹, b. Feb. 20, 1857; m. Peter Poland; res. Fg.

[36.] MERRIAM, JONAS⁸, bro. of the last, m. Betsey S. Priest of Temp. (pub. Feb. 28), 1847. He remained on the old homestead some 20 or more yrs., being engaged most of the time in the manufacture of chairs and tributary lines of business, but finally sold his interests in town and rem. to Fg., where he d. Dec. 24, 1887, a. 64. His wid. res. Fg. Chn.:

54. MARY ANNA⁹, b. Aug. 3, 1849; m. — Wilkins; res. Hudson; 7 chn.

55. EMMA E.⁹, b. Aug. 8, 1851; m. Seth Twichell; res. Fg.; 1 chd.

56. LUCY E.⁹, b. March 1, 1854; m. Warren Lewis; res. Lunenburg; 2 chn.

57. IDA N.⁹, b. Nov. 16, 1856; m. Walter Wood; res. Fg.; no chn.

58. ESTA JANE⁹, b. Aug. 11, 1861; m. Samuel P. Lewis; res. Fg.; 1 chd.

59. EUGENE A.⁹, b. Nov. 6, 1866; res. Fg.; unm.

60. NELLIE P.⁹, b. May 8, 1869; d. in 1886.

[37.] MERRIAM, OLIVER M.⁸, bro. of the last, m. Martha, dau. of Edmund and Betsey (Adams) Nichols, Nov. 29, 1855, and has res. on a part of the ancestral homestead. He was engaged for some yrs., in connection with his bros. and otherwise, in mechanical pursuits, but more recently has confined himself to farming. His w., Martha, d. Oct. 11, 1880, a. 50, and he m. (2) 1881, Emily J. Kilburn of Winch. Chn.:

61. ELSIE JANE⁹, b. Dec. 16, 1858; m. Charles H. Gates; res. Gr.

62. HERBERT MOORE⁹, b. June 28, 1864; m. Jennie Bolster; res. Ash.

[44.] MERRIAM, CHARLES FARWELL⁸, s. of Reed⁷ and Rebecca M., m. (1) Carrie A. Boutelle of Leom., in Nov., 1862, and set. with his f. on the home place. His w. d. July 10, 1863, and he m. (2) Myra L., dau. of T. Dwight and Emeline (Clark) Wood, Oct. 27, 1868. He d. Aug. 10, 1873, a. 33.

[51.] MERRIAM, ELI H.⁹, s. of Caleb S.⁸ and Abbie A., m. Sept. 25, 1873, Abbie L. Davis of Fg., and succeeded to the grain and flour business started by his f., as heretofore stated. By enterprise and industry, with increased facilities for producing and handling goods, he has built up a large trade and may be regarded as one of the town's most successful and substantial citizens. His chn. are:

63. MABELLE C.¹⁰, b. June 5, 1875.

64. CORA A.¹⁰, b. July 3, 1877.

65. GRACE E.¹⁰, b. June 24, 1879.

66. HAROLD D.¹⁰, b. July 30, 1882.

67. CHARLES S.¹⁰, b. Jan. 19, 1885.

68. ARTHUR E.¹⁰, b. April 18, 1886.

69. MERRIAM, DAVID⁵, another s. of Thomas⁴ and Tabitha, and bro. of Nathan⁵ and Thomas⁵, bought of the heirs of his dec'd f., in 1765, lot No. 33, 2d Div., known in more recent times as the Jonas White farm, in the west part of the town. This lot he prob. improved, though it does not appear that he built and lived upon it. (See A. H. No. 32.) He was a resident here in 1769, when he was pub. to Martha Conant of unkn. birth and ptge. He located permanently just over the line in the N. E. corner of Hub., on the farm afterwards occupied by his s.-in-law, Shubael Russell. He d. in 1826.

70. MERRIAM, SAMUEL⁵, the oldest s. of Thomas⁴ and Tabitha, but the last to locate here, b. Dec. 21, 1723, was dismissed from the Lex. to the W. chh. in 1772, though he came here some 3 yrs. before. On the 10th of March that year, he bought of Dea. Joseph Miller house lot No. 61, lying upon the east side of Graves' Hill, where he and his s. and gd.s. of the same name, each in his time, resided, gaining an honest but a not luxurious livelihood. The farm buildings are now gone and only an old cellar marks the dwelling place of three generations of the hard-working yeomanry of the town. (See A. H. No. 95.) Mr. Merriam m. Anne, dau. of David and Rebecca Whitney of Waltham, June 4, 1752, and had 7 chn. Though b. in Lex., yet they all came to W. with their parents, lived and d. in the vicinity, and are therefore tabulated in the usual form. The f. d. in 1804, a. 80; the mother, in 1802, a. unascertained. Chn.:

71. ANNA⁶, b. Oct. 10, 1753; m. Samuel Warren, etc.; res. W. and Ash.; 5 chn.; d. Sept. 15, 1790.

72. EUNICE⁶, b. June 22, 1755; m. John Fessenden; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 9, 1840.

73. SAMUEL⁶, b. March 25, 1757; m. Elizabeth Fessenden; res. W.

74. RUTH⁶; bap. Feb. 25, 1759; m. Richard Graves, Jr.; res. W. and Pn.

75. TABITHA⁶; bap. Dec. 28, 1760; m. Thomas Johnson; res. W.; no chn.; d. July 12, 1836.

76. NATHAN⁶, b. April 29, 1764; m. Abigail Holden; res. Gr. and W.

77. JONATHAN⁶, b. Feb. 22, 1766; m. Betsey Harris; res. Gr.; 7 chn.; d. Dec., 1826.

[73.] MERRIAM, SAMUEL⁶, s. of the last, m. Jan., 1785, Elizabeth, dau. of Timothy and Elizabeth (Pierce) Fessenden, and res., as stated, on the patrimonial est. He d. June 31, 1838, a. 81. She d. May 11, 1842, a. 77. They had 6 chn.:

- 78. POLLY⁷, b. March 20, 1786; lived W. unm.; d. March 4, 1855.
- 79. Unnamed⁷, b. June 15, 1788; d. infancy.
- 80. REUBEN⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1790; d. June 24, 1792.
- 81. BETSEY⁷, b. Dec. 31, 1793; res. W. unm.; d. Feb. 13, 1865.
- 82. SAMUEL⁷, b. April 24, 1798; { m. Elmira Puffer; res. W.
- 83. REUBEN⁷, b. April 24, 1798; { twins; { d. infancy.

[76.] MERRIAM, NATHAN⁶, bro. of the last, m. in 1785 Abigail, dau. of Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden, and res. in both W. and Gr., his chn. being b. partly in one town and partly in the other. After his death, Aug. 15, 1794, his wid. m. (2) Joel Whitney, Aug. 16, 1796, by whom she had sev. chn., dying Nov. 18, 1848, a. 81. The chn. of Nathan⁶ and Abigail (Holden) Merriam were:

- 84. JOEL⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1786; m. Polly Farnsworth; res. W.
- 85. NATHAN⁷, b. Nov. 27, 1787; m. Ruth Keyes; res. W.
- 86. REUBEN⁷, b. May 15, 1790; d. June 7, 1808.
- 87. ASAPH⁷, b. March 20, 1792; m. twice; res. various places; 6 chn.; d. Sept. 19, 1868.
- 88. ABIGAIL⁷, b. Jan. 29, 1795; m. Farwell Cowee; res. W., etc.; chn.; d. Sept., 1830.

[82.] MERRIAM, SAMUEL⁷, s. of Samuel⁶ and Elizabeth (Fessenden), m. Elmira, dau. of Samuel and Polly (Wood) Puffer, Dec. 27, 1831, and followed in the footsteps of his lineal predecessors. He d. Sept. 9, 1853, a. 55, and his wid. m. (2) Ezra Baker of Gr. Since his death, some years since, she has res. with her chn., her home now being in Boston with her dau. Mary—Mrs. Frederick P. Whitney. Chn.:

- 89. ADELAIDE E.⁸, b. Oct. 6, 1832; m. Willard Foskett; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 20, 1891.
- 90. REUBEN P.⁸, b. Nov. 9, 1835; m. Elizabeth Brooks; res. W.
- 91. EDSON⁸, b. March 21, 1837; d. Oct. 17, 1853.
- 92. MARY W.⁸, b. March 2, 1839; m. Fred. P. Whitney; res. Boston; 2 chn.; 1.
- 93. MARTHA JANE⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1842; m. George Miller; res. Boston; 2 chn.; 1.
- 94. CHARLES HENRY⁸, b. March 14, 1851; d. May 3, 1852.

Mary W. (Merriam) Whitney (92), of the above family, was gifted by nature with unusual musical talent, by the judicious cultivation and use of which she has attained praiseworthy distinction in the world of song, and reflected honor on the place of her nativity. She studied in Boston some dozen years with such accomplished teachers as Mrs. J. H. Long, Rudolphsen, Mrs. Jennie T. Kempton, and Chas. R. Adams, singing meanwhile and subsequently in some of the leading churches in the city. She then spent a year in Europe under the tuition of some of the best instructors of London and Paris. While in the English capital she achieved repeated successes in her efforts at the Crystal Palace, Royal Albert Hall, and elsewhere,—her renderings of solos and other parts in some of the masterpieces of the great composers being received by audiences of ten or twelve thousand persons with rapturous applause. Since her return in 1884, she has sung not only in Boston churches, but in Handel and Haydn Oratorios, for Thomas' orchestra, and in Opera companies, East and West. She is a great favorite at Saratoga, where her voice has been heard for many years past on public occasions, in halls, hotels, and open parks. She was one of the quartette selected to sing at the funeral of Gen. Grant on Mt. McGregor in 1885.

On the 23d of Nov., 1858, she m. Frederic P., s. of Joseph and Nancy (Sawin) Whitney of Gr., and has had 2 chn.:—Edson Leone, b. Nov. 3, 1861, grad. Harvard

Univ. 1885, was admitted to the Suffolk bar in 1886, received the degree of PH. D. from his Alma Mater in 1888, and is now Prof. of History at Norwich Univ., Vt.; Harry Clifford, b. Sept. 28, 1863; d. Sept. 24, 1864. Her home is in Boston.

[84.] MERRIAM, JOEL⁷, s. of Nathan⁶ and Abigail, m. Polly, dau. of Asa and Damaris (Gates) Farnsworth, March 31, 1808. He lived many years in the Narrows, where he made cooper ware and run a carding machine. Later in life he res. on the place now owned and occupied by Hobart Raymond. A man of sturdy frame and of mental and moral character to correspond. An earnest Baptist, and Dea. of the church. He was interested in all questions of reform, especially in temperance and anti-slavery. For the latter cause he was a vigorous worker in both the moral and political arenas, being one of the few original Liberty Party men in town. He lived to see the great national curse removed and to rejoice in the proclamation of "liberty throughout all the land to all the inhabitants thereof." He d. Aug. 18, 1867, a. 81. Polly, his wid., followed him to the spirit world July 22, 1873, a. 84. Chn.:

95. Unnamed⁸, b. 1808; d. infancy.

96. FRANKLIN⁸, b. March 5, 1810; m. Eunice Ward; res. Weare, N. H.; 4 chn.; living.

97. REUBEN⁸, b. June 28, 1812; d. Dec. 5, 1812.

98. ALBERT⁸, b. Dec. 18, 1813; m. Laura Carter, etc.; res. Gr., etc.; 4 chn.; l.

99. JOEL⁸, b. May 28, 1816; m. Elmina Perkins; res. W.; chn.

100. ARTEMAS⁸, b. July 21, 1818; m. Salome Holden; res. W.

101. MARY⁸, b. April 27, 1821; m. Amos Pierce; res. W. and Fg.; 2 chn.; d. Aug. 27, 1868.

102. HANNAH F.⁸, b. Nov. 11, 1823; m. Edward Bacon; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Oct. 17, 1884.

103. SARAH E.⁸, b. June 14, 1826; d. unm. Oct. 4, 1846.

104. STILLMAN⁸, b. March 11, 1829; killed by a falling rock, June 25, 1835.

[85.] MERRIAM, NATHAN⁷, bro. of the last, m. Nov., 1811, Ruth, dau. of John and Lucy (Hale) Keyes of Pn., and set. upon lot No. 53, the present Albert Howard farm, in which he had some hereditary interest. He subsequently left the place and res. in the village. A serious accident at a later date so impaired his physical and mental faculties that he was rendered incapable of self-support, but was most kindly and faithfully cared for during the following years of his life by his oldest s., as were also his w. and a dependent dau. He passed from his earthly labors and sufferings at Temp., Oct. 23, 1852, a. 64. His wid., Ruth, d. at Temp., Feb. 20, 1863, a. 76. Chn.:

105. ABNER HOLDEN⁸, b. May 11, 1812; m. Emily Wood; res. W., etc.

106. ELIZABETH H.⁸, b. July 17, 1815; d. Aug. 20, 1837.

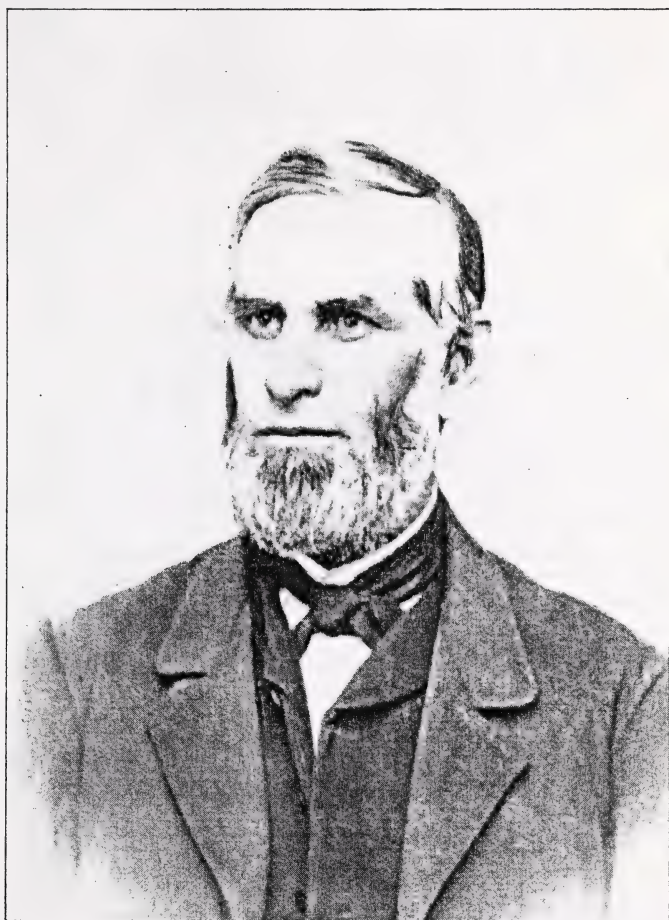
107. ABIGAIL⁸, b. July 17, 1817; d. Nov. 26, 1879.

108. NATHAN⁸, b. June 2, 1819; d. Aug. 25, 1837.

109. JOSEPH D.⁸, b. Aug. 28, 1821; m. Maria Allen, etc.; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; living.

110. PHEBE K.⁸, b. Nov. 10, 1823; d. May 2, 1836.

Asaph Merriam⁷ (87), bro. of the two last, was educated for the Chn. ministry, and ordained in his chosen work under the auspices of the Baptist denomination, ab. the year 1826. His first settlement was at West Royalston, and he subsequently held pastorates at New Ipswich, N. H., Canton, Athol, Bolton, where he was located many years, and elsewhere. He was a man of devout and earnest spirit, of deep and tender sympathies, a conscientious preacher, a faithful pastor,



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thoroughly consecrated to the Master's service as he understood it. He was highly esteemed by those for whom he labored and by his professional brethren, and his life was crowned with usefulness and honor. He was twice married: (1) to Anna W. Gibson of Fg., April 18, 1815. She d. May 5, 1827, and he m. (2) Feb. 14, 1829, Lorena Davis. He had 10 chn., most of whom d. in childhood or early maturity, two only becoming heads of families. Evelina, b. Aug. 17, 1825, m. J. Chandler Partridge of Temp., had 3 chn., and d. July 29, 1869. For some years she was teacher in the Academy; a lovely character. Marietta A. E. was b. April 20, 1831, m. Charles White of Bolton, where she is still living. Rev. Mr. Merriam d. Sept. 19, 1868.

[90.] MERRIAM, REUBEN P.⁸, s. of Samuel⁷ and Elmira, m. May 7, 1856, Elizabeth, dau. of Nathaniel Brooks of Stg. He disposed of the paternal estate, and of late years has res. in the Abraham Wood house on the old Common. He has had 4 chn.:

- 111. JENNIE E.⁹, b. March 20, 1857; m. Frank A. Merriam; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 15, 1889.
- 112. MARY LIZZIE⁹, b. May 17, 1860; m. Charles Kendall; res. Fg.; 3 chn.
- 113. CARRIE R.⁹, b. Feb. 8, 1864; m. Wm. S. Winter; res. Winch.; 4 chn.
- 114. EDDIE E.⁹, b. Jan. 16, 1871.

[99.] MERRIAM, JOEL⁸, s. of Dea. Joel⁷ and Polly, m. Elmina, dau. of Benjamin and Achsah (Boutelle) Perkins (pub. Feb. 15), 1840. He was a painter by trade, and was in business for some years with Joseph B. Drury, now of Gr. He res. at sev. places ab. the village, but finally purchased and occupied the Whitman house, where his s., Frank A., now resides. He was an earnest, public-spirited citizen, active in town and chh. affairs and in various causes of reform and philanthropy. He was early in life a Liberty Party man, doing with his might what seemed to him best for the overthrow of the system of Am. Slavery. He labored earnestly for the Temperance reformation and the suppression of the traffic in intoxicating liquors. The tn. honored him with numerous tokens of regard and confidence. He served for sev. yrs. each, as Selectman and Assessor, and two terms in succession was he chosen to the upper house of the Gen. Ct. He d. May 7, 1873, a. 56. His wid. d. Nov. 30, 1885, a. 67. Chn.:

- 115. EVELINA⁹, b. Oct. 2, 1843; m. W. C. Foskett; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
- 116. SARAH M.⁹, b. Sept. 16, 1848; d. Sept. 14, 1849.
- 117. EMMA E.⁹, b. Aug. 1, 1850; m. Frank M. Urban; res. W.; 2 chn.
- 118. JOEL H.⁹, b. July 3, 1852; m. Anna P. Merrifield; res. W., etc.; chn.; living.
- 119. FRANK A.⁹, b. Sept. 5, 1855; m. Jennie E. Merriam, etc.; res. W.; chn.; living.
- 120. SARAH E.⁹, b. Sept. 8, 1857; m. Fred B. Bolton.
- 121. CORA E.⁹, b. March 27, 1863; res. W. unm.

[100.] MERRIAM, ARTEMAS⁸, bro. of the last, has been for many years, and is still, one of the most successful, public-spirited, and generous business men of the town. (See Chap. XVI, p. 317.) He is interested in whatever concerns the common well-being, is ready to "lend a hand" in every good word and work, and shares the respect and confidence of his fellow-townsmen to an unusual extent. He has filled the office of Selectman at different dates, and was elected to represent his district in the Leg. of 1878. He m. June 8, 1841, Salome, dau. of Asa and Dolly (Whitney) Holden, and they have had the following chn.:

122. STILLMAN F.⁹, b. May 30, 1843; d. July 7, 1843.
 123. LAURA⁹, b. July 24, 1844; d. Oct. 15, 1844.
 124. MARY ELLA⁹, b. Feb. 28, 1846; m. Adin F. Baker; res. W.
 125. IDA ELIZA⁹, b. Nov. 21, 1856; m. S. D. Simonds; res. W.
 126. WILLIE⁹, b. Aug. 9, 1859; d. Aug. 13, 1859.
 127. NELLIE⁹, b. Aug. 31, 1861; d. Sept. 4, 1861.

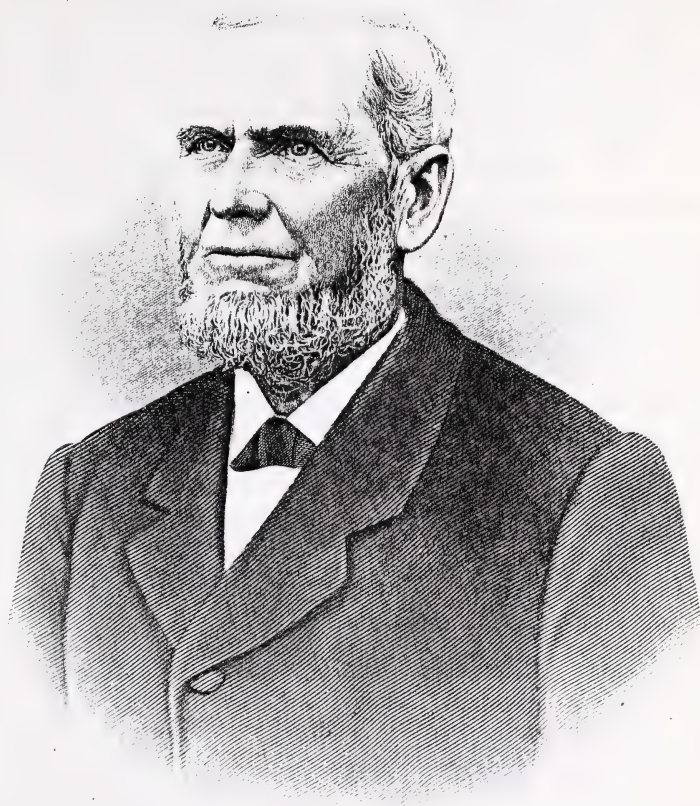
Franklin Merriam⁸ (96), the oldest s. of Dea. Joel⁷ and Polly, was b. Mar. 1810. "At the age of 14 he indulged a hope in Christ and soon was baptized the Princeton Baptist Chh." Six yrs. later a great revival in his religious fee prompted him to devote his life to the work of the Christian ministry. With pecuniary resources save what he could acquire by his own efforts, he worked way through a preparatory course of study at W. Academy, through Waterbury Me., Coll., graduating in 1837, and through Newton Theol. Sem., where he graduated in 1840, "with no bills unpaid."

In Oct. of the last-named year he was ordained and settled at E. Winthrop, on a salary of \$400, remaining there till 1847, when he removed to Searsmont in the same State. He has since had pastorates at Exeter, New Boston, E. Jaffrey, Hanover, Danbury, Bow, and E. Weare, N. H., besides serving 3 yrs. as Agent for the Am. and For. Bible Society, and 2 yrs. as Agent for the Am. Bap. Miss. Union. He has held the office of Trustee of the Me. Bap. Assn., and of Secretary of the Me. Bap. Edl. Soc.; also that of Trustee of the N. H. Bap. Convention, and Trustee of Colby Univ. for 25 yrs., to which institution he gave a scholarship in 1860. When in Hanover he was appointed a member of the Examining Committee of Dartmouth Coll.

His is the record of a long, active, useful, exemplary, honorable life,—a life consecrated to God and devoted to the service of mankind. To his faith he added virtue and zeal in every good word and work. "He has never spent a moment for tobacco, intoxicating liquors, tea, or coffee for personal use," and has proved faithful in every post of duty to which he has been called and in all the relations of life. He is still living, bowed somewhat beneath the infirmities of age, sharing the respect and honor of all who know him, as well as the love and gratitude of those whom he has helped to a more Christian life, and awaiting in secret the summons that shall call him to the higher labors and more lasting reward of the world unseen and immortal.

Mr. Merriam m. in Sept., 1845, Eunice C. Ward of China, Me., who bore him three children, one of whom died in infancy. Of the 3 living, E. Franklin and George graduated at Colby Univ. and also at Newton Theol. Sem., and are engaged in the work of the Ministry,—the former in Boston and the other in Kansas. The third, Hattie is m. and res. at E. Weare, N. H., and with her the father is spending the last days of his earthly pilgrimage.

[105.] MERRIAM, ABNER HOLDEN⁸, s. of Nathan⁷ and Ruth, fitted for College at W. Academy and graduated at Amherst in the class of 1840. He soon after took charge of the institution which he pursued his preparatory studies, then in a moribund condition, imparted new life to it, and made it one of the most prosperous schools of its kind in the Commonwealth. He was in that position about 7 yrs., when he left for Winchendon where he occupied a similar post of service. After a few more years spent in teaching, some portion of which time his father lived at Leominster, he located on a small farm in Temple, where he has devoted himself mostly to agricultural pursuits, and where he still resides, much respected for his honesty of purpose, kind spirit, and Christian life. He has been for many yrs. a Deacon of the Trinitarian Chh. in the town of his adoption. He married April 14, 1842, Emily, dau. of Dea. Abel and Betsey (Fairbanks) Wood of Leominster,—the two being still spared to each other, sharing as they have a joint domestic companionship more than half a century. Chn.:



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128. CHARLES H.⁹, b. W., Aug. 16, 1845; m. Clara L. McKinley; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
 129. EMILY M.⁹, b. Leom., Aug. 27, 1847; m. Lewis W. Bryant; res. Temp.; 4 chn.
 130. OLIVE E.⁹, b. Leom., April 17, 1849; m. Moses Leland; res. Gr.; 3 chn.
 131. SUSAN A.⁹, b. Leom., Aug. 10, 1850; d. Aug. 10, 1852.
 132. MARY A.⁹, b. Temp., Oct. 1, 1857; d. May 7, 1860.

[118.] MERRIAM, JOEL HARVEY⁹, s. of Joel⁸ and Elmina, res. in town some years after reaching maturity, being in trade with his younger bro. at the well-known Whitman store. He however sold out ab. 1890 and rem. to Denver, Col. He m. (1) Ella M., dau. John and Eliza (Kendall) Persons of Windsor, Vt., Oct. 9, 1873. She d. without issue, and he m. (2) Dec. 25, 1878, wid. Anna P. Mansfield of So. Chelmsford. Chn.:

133. ETHEL¹⁰, b. Feb. 16, 1880. 134. HAROLD G.¹⁰, b. Sept. 26, 1883.

[119.] MERRIAM, FRANK A.⁹, bro. of the last, with whom he was associated in trade awhile, as just stated, is now carrying on a prosperous business by himself, enjoying a reasonable proportion of public patronage and the regard of the general community. He is an active member of the Baptist Chh., in which he has held the office of Deacon since 1886. He also has been twice m. (1) to Jennie E., dau. of Reuben P. and Elizabeth (Brooks) Merriam, Oct. 26, 1876. She bore him 3 chn. and d. Jan. 15, 1888, a. 30. He m. (2) Ida E., dau. Charles and Martha A. Simonds, April 29, 1891. His chn. by 1st. w. are:

135. FRANK E.¹⁰, b. May 6, 1878. 136. GEORGE A.¹⁰, b. Aug. 21, 1882.
 137. ROBERT J.¹⁰, b. Aug. 29, 1885.

I. MERRILL, NATHANIEL, ptge. unknown, from Pelham, N. H., bought lot No. 116, long known as the Ezra Wood place, near the R. R. Station, now owned by Melville H. Warner, March 28, 1759. He made the first improvements and built the first ho. on the premises, res. there some ten years, when he sold to Sebez Jackson of Newton. What became of him has not been learned. Chn.:

2. ANA, b. Feb. 4, 1760?. 3. JOHN, b. Sept. 5, 1763.
 4. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 2, 1767. 5. JOSEPH, b. July 17, 1769.

I. METCALF, JOSEPH, s. of Ezekiel S. and Eunice (Brooks) Metcalf of Ash., was b. Jan. 21, 1786. He m. Lucy, dau. of John and Lucy Adams of W., Feb. 8, 1814, and first set. in Pn. They remained there but a few yrs., coming to this town ab. 1818 and purchasing in 1824 the Adams homestead near the Gr. line, which they occupied until far advanced in age. He d. Oct. 29, 1864, and she, April 23, 1873. They had:

2. LASYLVA, b. Pn., Aug. 13, 1815; m. Joseph Powers; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. Sept. 10, 1844.
 3. MARY J., b. W., July 19, 1820; m. Marcius A. Gates; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. Jan. 27, 1882.

MILES.

It is stated that the first baptisms registered in the first chh. of Boston were those of "Joy and Recompense, daughters of brother John Miles." Whether or not this was the same John¹ who was a blacksmith by trade and set. in Concord, 1635, does not appear. The latter was admitted "freeman" in 1638, and became a large landholder and a substantial citizen of the town. He had 2 sons, John² and Samuel², both of whom have been represented in W. somewhat largely and creditably, though their descendants have now mostly disappeared. The former m. Mary Prescott and, with other chn., had a s. John³, who m. Elizabeth (or Rebecca) Brooks, three of whose sons, John⁴, Noah⁴, and Abner⁴, were early and permanent residents here. A dau. m. Obadiah Kendall, and was in town for a short time. John³, the f., owned considerable land in the place, and supplied two of his sons with farms, as will duly appear.

I. MILES, JOHN⁴, s. of John³ and Elizabeth (?) of Concord, was b. Feb. 20, 1726-7. He was established on lot No. 57, the Jotham Keyes place (see A. H. No. 80), then owned by his f., in 1751. Three years later he came into full possession of the same, and there he lived and d. He was a prominent man in the settlement, holding the office of Standing Committeeman and Assessor of the Propriety, and of Selectman after incorporation. He was active in military affairs, and received a commission which entitled him to the familiar name of "Lieut. Miles." Some two yrs. after coming here he m. Martha, dau. of Dea. Russell of Littleton, and wid. of Jacob Warren, who had lived on lot No. 59 near by. (See A. H. No. 96.) He was a surveyor, and assisted in laying out the 3d Div. lots in the township, 1757. He d. April 30, 1808, a. 81. His wid. d. the 26th of the following Nov., a. 83. Chn.:

2. JOHN⁵, b. June 18, 1754; d. July 7, 1764.
3. LEVI⁵, b. Nov. 18, 1756; wounded in Battle of Bennington, and d. 1780.
4. MARTHA⁵, b. June 25, 1759; m. John Dexter; res. Leom., etc.
5. ABIGAIL⁵, b. July 4, 1763; m. Asa Brooks; res. Concord; d. 1795.
6. JOHN⁶, b. Nov. 3, 1765; m. Mary Denny; res. Grafton; 10 chn.; d. March 20, 1849.
7. ISAAC⁶, b. June 28, 1768; m. Susan Tuttle; res. W., etc.; chn.; d. 1826.
8. THOMAS⁶, b. Aug. 19, 1772; m. Ruth Brooks; res. W., etc.; chn.

John Miles⁶ (6) was of scholastic and religious turn of mind, fitting for College and graduating at Brown Univ. in 1794. He studied theology under Rev. Dr. Sanger of Bridgewater, and was ordained Minister of the town of Grafton, Oct. 12, 1796, Rev. Asaph Rice of W. preaching the sermon. He continued in the pastorate till Oct., 1825, removing to Shrewsbury the following year, purchasing there a farm and living upon it till his death, March 20, 1849, at the age of 83.

Mr. Miles belonged to the liberal wing of Orthodox ministers of his day, but maintained friendly professional relations with the more rigid and dogmatic clergymen of the neighborhood. His salary never amounted to \$300, yet his house had open doors and he dispensed a generous hospitality. He was enabled to do this by the products of a small farm of 16 acres which he found time to till, with the occasional aid of his parishioners, "in a skilful and exemplary manner," and by the donations of the housewives of the town, who brought offerings of cloth and yarn now and then to the parsonage. His w. was Mary, dau. of Col. Samuel Denny of Leicester, whom he m. May 1, 1798. Of this union there were b. 7 chn., one of whom, Henry Adolphus, was for many years a Unitarian clergyman in Lowell, and afterwards Secretary of the Am. Unit. Assn., and subsequently a temporary supply in several parishes. He is now living at Hingham, Mass., at the advanced age of 86 years.

[7.] MILES, ISAAC⁵, s. of John⁴ and Martha, was an enterprising, active citizen of W. for many years. He bought the brick ho. on the east side of the Common in 1799, where he run a store ab. 4 yrs. In 1804 he was in company with Rufus Dodd at the well-known Bradbury Corner. Later he built the brick ho. nearly opposite, now owned by E. L. Burnham, and very likely engaged in trade there till 1816, when he sold to Seth Wellington, his s.-in-law, and rem. first to Waltham, and thence to Stow, where he d. in 1826. He m. Susannah Tuttle of Littleton, and had a large family, of the members of which little is known, the W. records being meager in details concerning them, as is also information derived from other sources. The w. d. Boston, 1811. Chn.:

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| 9. ISAAC ⁶ , b. April, 1796; d. Jan. 19, 1800. | |
| 10. SUBMIT T. ⁶ , b. March 18, 1798; d. Jan. 7, 1800. | |
| 11. SUBMIT R. ⁶ , b. Feb. 13, 1800; d. Nov. 19, 1800. | |
| 12. ISAAC ⁶ , b. Sept. 7, 1801. | 13. J. HANNIBAL ⁶ , b. Aug. 2, 1803. |
| 14. NATHAN ⁶ . | 15. SUSAN ⁶ . |
| 16. LOUISA ⁶ ; m. Seth Wellington. | 17. AUGUSTUS ⁶ . |
| 18. THEODORE ⁶ . | 19. THEOPHILUS ⁶ . |
| 20. LEVI ⁶ . | |

[8.] MILES, THOMAS⁵, bro. of the last, m. Ruth Brooks, Concord, March 11, 1794. He seems to have set. on the home place for a while, but soon after his f.'s death sold to Salmon Leland, and went into the hotel business on the turnpike in the edge of Fg. The estate, upon his petition, was set off by the Leg. to W. in 1813. A few yrs. later he was owner and manager of the sawmill at the head of the Narrows. Disposing of his interest there, he rem. to Waltham, where, it is supposed, both he and his w. d., but at an unkn. date. Chn. b. W. were:

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| 21. NABBY ⁶ , b. Jan. 23, 1796; m. Abel Carpenter; res. Leyden; d. July 13, 1822. | |
| 22. RUTH ⁶ , b. Jan. 25, 1798. | |
| 23. PAMELA ⁶ , b. May 11, 1800; m. Daniel Stowell, Northampton. | |
| 24. LEVI ⁶ , b. April 5, 1802; m. Mary A. Hayward, Concord; 3 chn. | |
| 25. JOHN D. ⁶ , b. Jan. 14, 1805. | 26. SOPHRONA ⁶ , b. March 12, 1807. |
| 27. CATHARINE ⁶ , b. Nov. 13, 1810; d. Jan. 24, 1832. | |

28. MILES, NOAH⁴, another s. of John³ and Elizabeth (?) of Concord, b. April 29, 1730, came to W. ab. the same time his bro. did and located upon the adjoining lot, No. 36, where wid. Julia A. Foster and her s., Judson, now reside, receiving a gift deed of the property from his f., Nov. 5, 1754. He had prob. built a house there at an earlier date, as he was in accredited possession in 1751. He was very active in public affairs, both civil and military, and was undoubtedly one of the foremost citizens of his time. He served many years on the Board of Selectmen, and was sent as Delegate to a convention at Concord in 1779, called to deliberate and take action upon the state of the country. He rose to a Captaincy in the Militia of the Mass. Colony before the opening of the Rev., and led a company of minute men to Concord and Camb. upon getting tidings of the affair of April 19, 1775. He m., 1750, Huldah Hosmer of Con.

cord, and d. Oct. 21, 1811, a. 81. She d. March 10, 1809, a. 80. Chn.:

29. NOAH⁵, b. Dec. 22, 1751; m. and lived at Temple, N. H. (See below.)

30. STEPHEN⁵, b. Sept. 26, 1754; m. Sarah Hoar; res. W.

31. JOEL⁵, b. Nov. 29, 1756; m. Mary Estabrook; res. Fitzwilliam, N. H.; 9 chn.; d. Dec. 25, 1843. [14, 1781.]

32. EPHRAIM⁵, b. Dec. 6, 1759; m. Zeruah Rugg; res. Royalton, Vt.; d. March

33. OLIVER⁵, b. Aug. 28, 1762; res. Royalton, Vt.

34. ASAH⁵, b. 1763; m. Mary Tenney; res. W., etc.; soon disappeared.

35. HULDAH⁵, b. 1767; m. Samuel Brooks; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. July 14, 1794.

Noah Miles⁵ (29), the oldest of the chn. of Noah⁴ and Huldah, was a grad. of Dartmouth Coll. in the class of 1780. He then pursued a course of theological study, and was ordained to the work of the Christian ministry and installed pastor of the church in Temple, N. H., Oct. 2, 1782. He remained in that town, discharging the duties of the sacred office almost half a century, or until his death in 1831. He was deemed a moderate Calvinist in doctrine, an able preacher, a devoted pastor, and a useful citizen. Social in his tastes, and something of a wit withal, he was as genial out of the pulpit as he was devout and earnest in it. Many anecdotes are told of his spontaneous pleasantry and ready repartee. He had 7 chn., one of whom, Solomon P., grad. at Harvard Coll., 1819, and became a physician of eminence.

[30.] MILES, STEPHEN⁵, bro. of the last, succeeded to his f.'s home estate and good reputation. He was highly esteemed and honored with repeated tokens of the confidence of his neighbors and townsfolk. He served as Assessor several years, held the office of Treasurer 20 years, and was Dea. of the chh. from 1797 until his death. He m. Sarah, dau. of Daniel and Rebecca (Brooks) Hoar, Jan. 4, 1781. He d. Aug. 10, 1812, a. 57. She d. Feb. 24, 1813, a. 63. They had but 1 chd., a dau., and with him the Noah Miles branch of the fam. became extinct in town, his bros. all res. elsewhere. The one dau. was:

36. SARAH⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1787; m. Nathan Baker; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Oct. 15, 1857.

37. MILES, ABNER⁴, a younger bro. of John⁴ and Noah⁴, date of birth unkn., was pub. to Margaret, dau. of Jonathan and Jemima (Bright) Trowbridge of Newton, in July, 1769, and set. on a part of lot No. 23, 2d Div., which he had bought the previous Jan. of Ephraim Hall. The site of the dwelling house can still be recognized, some 70 or 80 rods west of the residence of the late Levi Jackson, Sen. (See A. H. No. 30.) He went into the army, where he contracted the smallpox, of which he d. after returning home, July 23, 1778. His lone grave is in a pasture belonging to the estate. His wid. d. May 9, 1823, a. 76. Chn.:

38. JEMIMA⁵, b. Sept. 29, 1770; m. Enoch Brown, Oct. 13, 1803; res. Watertown.

39. MEHITABEL⁵, b. March 28, 1773; d. unm. in W., 1837. [3, 1855.]

40. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Aug. 11, 1775; m. Eleazer Drury; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Dec.

41. TROWBRIDGE⁵, b. Sept. 21, 1777; taxed here 1800, but nothing further known.

42. MILES, REUBEN³, was s. of Samuel², who m. Sarah Foster of Littleton, and therefore cousin of John³, the f. of John⁴, Noah⁴, and Abner⁴, already mentioned. He was b. in Concord, Dec. 12, 1723, and seems to have come to Nar. No. 2 quite as early as his distant kinsmen, purchasing lot No. 14, on which a house had already been built, May 4, 1749. Said lot

was situated S. E. of, and contiguous to, the one in possession of the Damon family for five generations, and the general location of the farm buildings are still pointed out. (See A. H. No. 66.) He bought, 1754, lot No. 16, lately the home farm of his gds., George Miles, and set. upon it. He was a somewhat notable man in town, of "property and standing." Was Selectman, possessed large landed interests, owned a slave, and had money to be taxed. He m. Anna, dau. of Zephaniah and Mary (Heywood) Rice of Worc., cousin of Timothy Heywood, spoken of elsewhere, prob. in 1754. He d. Feb. 20 (say records), 5 (says tombstone), 1780, a. 56. Anna, who survived him, d. May 5, 1798, a. 68. Chn.:

- 43. NATHAN⁴, b. Jan. 25, 1755; m. Susannah Brown; res. W. and N. Y.
- 44. REUBEN⁴, b. Nov. 12, 1756; d. in army at Watertown, Sept. 15, 1775.
- 45. ANNA⁴, b. July 4, 1758; m. Thomas Kowner; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. Oct. 7, 1849.
- 46. JONAS⁴, b. July 11, 1760; m. Rachel Bancroft; res. W.
- 47. ASA⁴, b. June 11, 1762; m. Elizabeth C. Rice; res. W.
- 48. SALLY⁴, b. May 23, 1764; m. James White; res. W.; sev. chn.; d. 1806.
- 49. LUCY⁴, b. May 13, 1766; m. Andrew Whitney; res. Pn.; sev. chn.
- 50. PERSIS⁴, b. Feb. 20, 1769; { twins; { m. Joseph Sweetzer; res. Athol; sev. chn.
- 51. MARY⁴, b. Feb. 20, 1769; { twins; { d. July 30 (say records), May 30 (says tombstone), 1785.

[43.] MILES, NATHAN⁴, s. of the last, m. Susannah Brown (pub. March, 1777), and set. in tn. for a few yrs., rem., it is said, to Auburn, N. Y., and thence to Jamestown, where all traces of him are lost. While res. here they had 3 chn.:

- 52. SUSANNAH⁵, b. Aug. 9, 1778.
- 53. SALLY⁵, b. Aug. 26, 1781.
- 54. REUBEN⁵, b. June 30, 1784.

[46.] MILES, JONAS⁴, bro. of the last, came into possession of the extensive landed estate of his father, and prob. built upon it the present commodious dwelling house occupied by Wm. H. Carter. He was a public-spirited and highly useful citizen, esteemed for his many excellent traits of character, and honored with positions of responsibility and influence. He was appointed Coroner in 1800, the first in town—a position which he continued to hold through life. He was pub. to Rachel, dau. of Edmund Bancroft of Pepperell, Nov. 18, 1796, and in due time m. her. He passed to the land of the hereafter July 14, 1827, a. 67, and his wid., Rachel, followed him Jan. 26, 1853, a. 83. Chn.:

- 55. ANNA⁵, b. Oct. 21, 1797; d. Aug. 26, 1800.
- 56. GEORGE⁵, b. Feb. 28, 1800; m. Lucinda B. Jones; res. W.
- 57. ANN ELIZA⁵, b. Nov. 23, 1801; d. unm. Dec. 21, 1868.
- 58. JONAS B.⁵, b. Oct. 12, 1804; d. Oct. 3, 1805.
- 59. MARY⁵, b. Nov. 8, 1806; d. Dec. 17, 1832, unm.
- 60. EDMUND B.⁵, b. Nov. 28, 1808; d. Aug. 16, 1810.
- 61. AMANDA⁵, b. July 16, 1811; m. Elijah L. Smith; res. Hadley; 6 chn.; d. March 12, 1858.

[47.] MILES, ASA⁴, bro. of the last, studied medicine and was a practicing physician in his native town till his decease. He lived at first on his father's original homestead, but, in 1804, bought of Joseph Darby the Whitman place in the vil-

lage, now owned by F. A. Merriam. He, however, occupied it but a short time, being cut down by death in April, 1805. He had two wives. The first was Elizabeth Clough, dau. of Rev. Asaph and Thankful (Clough) Rice, who d. Aug. 10, 1796, a. 24; and the second was Ruth Henshaw of Leicester, m. Feb. 14, 1804, who survived him and m. (2) Rev. Ezekiel Bascom of Phillipston. He had but one chd.:

62. CLOUGH R.⁵, b. May 31, 1796. He grad. at Harv. Coll. in 1817, studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1825, and settled in his profession at Milbury.

[56.] MILES, GEORGE⁵, s. of Jonas⁴ and Rachel, succeeded to his f.'s est. and general standing in the community. He was a successful farmer and an active participant in public affairs. Greatly interested in questions of reform, he provoked much criticism and lost caste somewhat by his radical anti-slavery opinions, action, and associations. He left the chh. on account of what he deemed its guilty complicity with manstealing, and ignored political action under a confessedly proslavery constitution. He m. in 1829 Lucinda B. Jones of Temp., a worthy companion and helpmeet, who sympathized fully with him in his reformatory principles and shared cheerfully with him the obloquy he incurred by his outspoken avowal and consistent support of them in good conscience toward God and man. As advancing age and its attendant decline of health and strength came on, Mr. Miles disposed of his large farm and other property in town, removing with his family to Natick, where the last years of life was spent. He was thrown from his carriage and instantly killed at Marlboro', as he was on his way to W., June 10, 1872, a. 72. His wid. survived him ab. five and one-half yrs., passing on to the reunion of the eternal world, Jan. 19, 1878, a. 72. Chn.:

63. GEORGE S.⁶, b. Oct. 13, 1830; m. Martha D. Warren; res. Jerseyville, Ill.; 6 chn.; d. Feb. 7, 1893. [3 chn.; living.
64. MARY J.⁶, b. Nov. 25, 1831; m. Alvah W. Godding; res. Providence, R. I.;
65. AMANDA⁶, b. Feb. 16, 1833; became an artist of repute; d. unm. Sept. 2, 1888.

The Miles family now represented in W. has an ancestral origin in N. E. entirely different from that to which those of the same name outlined on the few preceding pages have been traced. Forty years after the arrival of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, and thirty years after the founding of the Puritan Colony on the borders of Mass. Bay, one Rev. John Myles was Pastor of a Baptist church in Wales. Whether or not he had ever been brought in contact with Roger Williams does not appear, but he certainly had much of the spirit — much of that conscientious loyalty to the principles of religious liberty — which has made the name of that great preacher and reformer illustrious and immortal. When, in 1662, under the sanction of the returned Stuart monarch, Charles II., the "Act of Uniformity" was passed by Parliament, he was compelled to abandon both his living and the kingdom, and, with some of his own people, and multitudes besides, seek a refuge from persecution on these shores. He landed at Weymouth, but was not allowed to preach in that settlement, and so withdrew to Swansea, on the borders of the Providence plantation, and there gathered a small church, to which he ministered through life. "The principles of this church were of the

most liberal sort, and their declarations of faith were as broad as those of Roger Williams" himself.

This Rev. John Myles¹ had a s. Samuel², who for forty years was Rector of King's Chapel, Boston, while it was yet under Episcopalian rule, and who, no doubt, did much to prepare the way for that larger freedom which was espoused and proclaimed by those worshipping there at a later date, and which has been maintained to the present time. He had also another s., whose name has not come to hand,—an early settler, it is understood, of Pomfret, Conn. The last was f. of Daniel³, whose s. Daniel⁴ located at Petersham and d. there early in 1777, his will being probated April 9. By his w., Abigail, he had four sons and four daus. Among the former was Joab⁵, who m. and had chn. in P., but the name of his w. is unk.



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66. MILES, DANIEL⁶, s. of the last, was b. May 19, 1799, res. awhile in Fg., whence he came to W., purchasing in 1824 of Wm. Curtis the place on which he subsequently lived. He soon after built the house now occupied by Patrick Bresnahan, and later in life the brick one opposite. He was a man of enterprise, good practical judgment, positive convictions, and marked personal characteristics. He served on the first Board of Selectmen chosen by the temperance sentiment of the town, and, with his associates, took a decided stand in favor of restricting and putting under the ban the traffic in intoxicating liquors. He m. Mary, dau. of Francis Curtis (pub. Jan. 5), 1825, by whom he had 4 chn. He d. at Brattleboro', Vt., where he had been temporarily residing for some time, March 19, 1875, a. 75. His wid. d. the 16th of the following Dec., a. 73. Chn.:

67. DANIEL C.⁷, b. June 1, 1827; m. Lucy Puffer; res. W.

68. MARY J.⁷, b. June 4, 1831; m. Gardner Merriam; res. Leom.; chn.; living.

69. ANN MARIA⁷, b. April 15, 1836; m. Samuel H. Sprague; res. W.; chn.; l.

70. NELSON A.⁷, b. Aug. 6, 1839; m. Mary Sherman; res. Chicago; chn. He went into the army and has a brilliant military record. (See Chap. on Rebellion, pages 417-419.)

[67.] MILES, DANIEL C.⁷, s. of Daniel⁶ and Mary, is an active, prosperous citizen and business man of the town, having been formerly engaged somewhat extensively in the lumber trade and in the manufacture of chairs. (See Chap. on Industries.) He has also operated to some extent in various real estate and other speculations in the far West, which, it is thought, have proved highly remunerative. Some years since he led off in a movement for the establishment of a National Bank in W., which proved ultimately successful. He was chosen President of the institution at the outset, and has continued to hold the position up to the present time, devoting himself largely of late to the administration of its duties. He has been repeatedly elected to office by the suffrages of his fellow-citizens, serving as a member of the Sch. Com., Assessor, Selectman, Overseer of the Poor, Auditor, etc. Associated by education and religious preference with the Baptist chh., he has been 20 yrs. Supt. of the Sabbath school, also Clerk of the Society and Pres. of the Worc. No. Baptist Association. He has taken a somewhat active part in politics, being a strong and earnest Republican. For some years he has held a Commission as Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Miles m. May 22, 1851, Lucy, dau. of James and Lucy (Jones) Puffer, a woman of estimable qualities of mind, heart, and character, who bore him 5 chn. and passed to her eternal home Feb. 9, 1869, at the age of 40. Much beloved in life, in death she was greatly lamented. Chn.:

71. MARY J.⁸, b. Dec. 11, 1852; m. Millard M. Parker; res. Pasadena, Cal.

72. GEORGE M.⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1854; m. Helen Stravell; res. Miles City, Mont.

73. HERBERT J.⁸, b. Jan. 5, 1856; unm.; res. Los Angeles, Cal.

74. ARTHUR W.⁸, b. June 20, 1859; m. Adelia Draper; res. Livingston, Mont.

75. MARTHA G.⁸, b. April 23, 1865; d. May 23, 1880.

The three sons of the above family are understood to have become active and successful business men in the several localities where they have established themselves; the eldest having contributed largely to the founding of a flourishing township which he has named in honor of his uncle, Gen. Nelson A. Miles; while Mr. M. M. Parker has attained distinction in political life, having been elected Mayor of his adopted city.

MILLER.

The first known record of the Miller family in this country chronicles the fact that in the year 1637 Richard¹ and his w., Eleanor, had joined the Mass. colony of Puritan adventurers, and were located at Charlestown. One of their sons, Joseph², m. Mary Pope, and established a home in that part of Cambridge afterward set off to form New-town, or Newton, as it was finally called. Of this union Samuel³ was b., who m. Elizabeth Child and through her became the progenitor of that branch of the original Miller stock which has had abundant and honorable representation in W. during the entire period of its history. The first in the place was

I. MILLER, JOSEPH⁴, s. of Samuel³ and Elizabeth, b. in Newton, July 29, 1716. He came to Nar. No. 2 as early as 1740, calling himself a res. of the township in the deed conveying to him, May 20 of that year, all right and title to house lots Nos.



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32 and 61, on the former of which, now owned and occupied by Otis W. Sawin, he soon after located. This original home estate remained in possession of the family during five successive generations, or for a hundred and thirty-five years, passing into other hands at a recent date. The house first built stood a little to the rear of the one now on the premises.

Mr. Miller was a very active and influential inhabitant of the settlement for a long series of years, filling many important public offices and discharging the duties devolving upon him thereby, in a scrupulous, faithful, and satisfactory manner. His private character was highly exemplary and above reproach, commending him to the regard and confidence of all who knew him. A large collection of old papers now in the keeping of his gt.-gt.-gd.s., J. Hervey Miller, bears witness to the care and fidelity with which he conducted his business affairs, public and private, and to the deep sense of responsibility under which he fulfilled the manifold trusts confided to his keeping. He was a profoundly religious man, and thoroughly devoted to the interests of the chh. He was one of the first deacons, serving in the office more than half a century,—longer, with a single exception, than any other incumbent. His gt.-gd.s., the late Jonas Miller, writing of him says: "He was a devoted Christian and man of prayer. His public business called him from home much of the time, but no matter how late he returned at night, his family devotions were invariably performed. It is said that he read his Bible through 'as many' times as he lived years with his wife." Whatever estimate people of the present day may put upon Dea. Miller's theological views, or upon the rites and observances which he regarded as of indispensable importance, no high-minded man or woman can do otherwise than honor, commend, and rejoice in that lofty type of Christian character which he illustrated in his daily life. "The memorial of virtue is immortal," and "the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance." Mr. Miller m. ab. the time of coming to the wilds of Naragansett, Mary, dau. of Isaac and Martha (Whitman) Williams, also of Newton, forming a union both members of which were of good old N. E. stock, and well qualified to act well their part in the great drama of existence. He d. May 24, 1794, a. 77. His wid., Mary, d. Dec., 1799, a. 82. Their chn., all natives of W. with the exception, possibly, of the oldest, were

2. JOSEPH⁵, b. July 27, 1741; m. Lucy Walker; res. W.
3. MARY⁵, b. March 16, 1743; m. Thomas Keyes; no further record.
4. EPHRAIM⁵, b. Sept. 16, 1744; m. Beulah Wheeler; res. W.
5. MARTHA⁵, b. Sept. 11, 1746; m. Samuel Sawin; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. Aug. 1, 1808.
6. DAVID⁵, b. Aug. 8, 1748; prob. d. young.
7. JOHN⁵, b. Aug. 7, 1750; d. the following day.
8. SAMUEL⁵, b. July 20, 1751; m. Lydia Cutting; res. W.
9. ISAAC⁵, b. March 31, 1754; m. Sarah Bennett; res. W., etc.
10. ESTHER⁵, b. March 9, 1756; never m.; res. W.; d. Oct. 17, 1850. [22, 1828.
11. ELIZABETH⁵, b. March 16, 1758; m. Stephen Holden; res. W.; chn.; d. Nov. [1826.
12. JOHN⁵, b. Sept. 22, 1762; prob. d. young.
13. PHEBE⁵, b. Feb. 2, 1766; m. Thomas Damon; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. April 26,

[2.] MILLER, JOSEPH⁵, oldest s. of the preceding, m. Lucy, dau. of Dea. James and Abigail (Wood) Walker, Jan. 12, 1768, and set. on lot No. 63, in the south part of the town, which his f. bought of Thomas Keyes, the original resident there. It is the place now occupied by Frank L. Parcher, near the foot of Wachusett. Of his personal characteristics and career little has been gleaned. He was, no doubt, one of the substantial, worthy yeomanry of the town, contributing his share to the common prosperity and welfare. He d. March 3, 1818, a. 76. Lucy, his wid., d. May 1, 1836, a. 88. Chn.:

14. JAMES⁶, b. Oct. 17, 1768; m. Abigail Stearns; res. W., etc.
15. JOHN⁶, b. April 20, 1774; m. Betsey Howe; res. W.
16. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Jan. 12, 1779; m. Nathaniel Adams of Gr.
17. ISAAC⁶, b. Jan. 28, 1782; m. Lucy Conant.
18. LUCY⁶, b. July 28, 1784; no further record.
19. JESSE⁶, b. June 24, 1786; m. Betsey Adams.
20. NANCY⁶, b. Oct. 20, 1788; unm.; d. ab. 1840.
21. ASAH⁶, b. Feb. 24, 1790; m. Polly Dike; res. Ludlow, Vt.; 9 chn.
22. ASENATH⁶, b. April 16, 1795; d. unm. of smallpox, July 26, 1848.

[4.] MILLER, EPHRAIM⁵, bro. of the last, m. May 20, 1768, Beulah Wheeler (ptge. unkn.), and succeeded to the homestead and a large share of the landed possessions of his f. He d. June 26, 1828, a. 83. His w. d. Nov. 3, 1824, a. 84. Chn.:

23. ASA⁶, b. Nov. 12, 1769; m. Bethia Winship; res. W.
24. EZRA⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1771; m. Lucy Whitcomb; res. W.
25. JOHN⁶, b. July 25, 1774; m. Lucy Golding; res. W. and Worc.
26. DEBORAH⁶, b. Sept. 27, 1776; m. Jonas Winship, Jr.; res. W.; chn.; d. Aug. 9, 1844.
27. SALLY⁶, b. Dec. 27, 1778; d. unm. Jan. 15, 186c.
28. MARY⁶, b. Aug. 22, 1780; m. James Heywood; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. March 22, 1858.

[8.] MILLER, SAMUEL⁵, bro. of the last two, m. Oct. 23, 1775, Lydia, dau. of Josiah and Lydia (Merriam) Cutting, and set. on the homestead of his f.-in-law, now in possession of Geo. W. Whitney. His w. d. Dec. 28, 1793. In Nov., 1796, he m. (2) Sarah Hail (Hale) of Stow. Mr. Miller d. Oct. 20, 1820, a. 69. His wid., Sarah, d. Feb. 8, 1830, a. 66. Chn.:

29. LYDIA⁶, b. Aug. 19, 1776; d. Aug. 15, 1778.
30. LYDIA⁶, b. March 10, 1779; m. Daniel Baker; res. Pn.; 6 chn.; d. Sept. 25, 1852.
31. JOSIAH⁶, b. March 18, 1781; m. Zerviah —; res. W. and Prescott.
32. SAMUEL⁶, b. May 28, 1783; lived W. on old place; unm.; d. Nov. 14, 1846.
33. JOHN C.⁶, b. June 3, 1785; m. twice; res. W.
34. DAVID⁶, b. July 9, 1787; m. and res. Canada; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 7, 1816.
35. EUNICE⁶, b. March 19, 1789; m. Simeon Warren; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 11, 1856.
36. ANNIS⁶, b. May 1, 1792; m. James Harrington; res. New Salem; sev. chn.; d. Sept. 8, 1845.
37. LEVI⁶, b. Feb. 15, 1798; m. Mary Houghton; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; 7 chn.; d. ab. 1890.
38. REBECCA⁶, b. Oct. 26, 1799; d. unm. Dec. 24, 1839.
39. ELIZA M.⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1802; m. Ephraim Beaman; res. Pn.; no chn.; d. Nov. 19, 1872.

[9.] MILLER, ISAAC⁵, another s. of Dea. Joseph⁴ and Mary, m. Sarah Bennett, prob. of Ash., Dec. 9, 1779. He set. on lot

No. 53, 3d Div., in the north part of the town, selling the same in 1805 to Wm. Barrell of Scituate. This was one of the farms set off to Ash. in 1826, and is now owned by Charles W. Whitney of that town. Mr. Miller moved to N. H. or Vt., and nothing more is known of him. Chn.:

40. JOSEPH⁶, b. Sept. 27, 1780; m. twice; res. Ash.; 5 chn.; d. July 12, 1860.
41. BETSEY⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1782; m. — Winslow.
42. SARAH⁶, b. Jan. 3, 1785; m. Joseph Maynard; res. Ash.; 5 chn.
43. REBECCA⁶, b. Dec. 20, 1786; m. James Hancock; res. Surry, N. H.; 10 chn.
44. ISAAC⁶, b. July 12, 1789; no further information.
45. BENJAMIN⁶, b. April 15, 1791; m. and had fam.; res. Ash., etc.
46. ABIGAIL⁶, b. June 18, 1793; m. Ira Hyland; res. Westmoreland, N. H.; 3 chn.
47. DORCAS⁶, bap. Oct. 5, 1800; no record found.

[14.] MILLER, JAMES⁶, s. of Joseph⁵ and Lucy (Walker) Miller, m. prob. Abigail, dau. of Moses and Ruth (Houghton) Stearns, and res. in town awhile, but in what locality does not appear. He left bef. 1800 for parts unkn. One chd. b. W.:

48. ABIGAIL⁷, b. March 3, 1796; m. Reuben Sawin; res. W.; no chn.; d. Nov. 16, 1834.

[15.] MILLER, JOHN⁶, bro. of the last, sometimes called "Mountain John," succeeded to his f.'s est. near Wachusett, which gave him that sobriquet. A cooper as well as farmer by occupation, and a good representative of a sturdy race. He lived to be almost a centenarian, as the dates of b. and d. show. He m. May 21, 1801, Betsey, dau. of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Deland) Howe of Gr., by whom he had a large fam. He d. Feb. 19, 1871, a. 97. His w., Betsey, d. Feb. 27, 1859, a. 77. Chn.:

49. EBENEZER⁷, b. Oct. 5, 1801; went South, m., and had 3 chn.; d. July 29, 1841.
50. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Dec. 10, 1802; m. Hannah Pond; res. W.
51. ELIZA⁷, b. July 29, 1804; m. Cyrus Baker; res. Ludlow, Vt.; sev. chn.
52. LUCY⁷, b. Nov. 22, 1806; m. Rufus Fessenden.
53. EVELINA⁷, b. June 12, 1808; m. — Wilcox; res. Blackstone; 3 chn.; d. May 23, 1840.
54. MARIA⁷, b. May 22, 1810; m. J. K. Learned; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Jan. 30, 1858.
55. AMOS⁷, b. March 8, 1812; m. Betsey Williams; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 7, 1866.
56. BETSEY⁷, b. Jan. 22, 1814; m. J. K. Learned; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 29, 1870.
57. SALLY⁷, b. Sept. 20, 1815; m. Benjamin Martin; res. Cleveland, Ohio; 2 chn.; d. May 5, 1861.
58. JOHN⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1818; m. Sophronia E. Dickinson; res. Wallingford, Vt. (See below.)
59. SUSAN⁷, b. Dec. 20, 1819; d. Feb. 2, 1840; unm.
60. FRANKLIN⁷, b. Jan. 21, 1822; m. Lucretia M. Randall; res. Wallingford, Vt.

John Miller⁷ (58), one of the above family, is a noteworthy illustration of that honorable success which often crowns industry, perseverance, good habits, and a laudable ambition in life. He began his career by learning the chair maker's trade at Ash. Meeting with some early reverses he went to Vt. and engaged in a small way in buying and selling farm produce. The business increased upon his hands until he became one of the largest dealers in the State. Extending his interests westward, he, with others, was instrumental in establishing a spacious packing house in Chicago, and in building up a flourishing trade in that part of the country. He also dealt in lumber and real estate with highly successful results. He gained a high standing in the general community, and an enviable reputation in the financial world. For more than 20 yrs. he was a Director in the Rutland Co. Bank at Rutland, Vt., or until failing health obliged him to retire. As an indication of the estimate in which he was held by his associates, both as a man and as a financier, the following Resolution, passed at the time of his leaving the bank, is inserted:

"*Resolved*, That while we feel constrained to accept the resignation of Mr. Miller, we do so with sincere regret. An association with him dating back to the first organization of this bank in 1862 has commended him to our judgment as an able and conscientious Director, and endeared him to our hearts as an honest, upright man and a true and steadfast friend. We sympathize deeply with him in his sickness and sorrow, and devoutly pray that it may please God to speedily restore him to health and happiness.

"A true copy. Attest. HENRY F. FIELD, Cashier.
 "Rutland, Vt., Oct. 10, 1885."

Franklin Miller⁷ (60), the younger bro. of John⁷, was for some years associated with him in business and shared with him in some measure the well-earned rewards of persevering enterprise and honorable dealing, as he did the esteem and confidence of the public.

[23.] MILLER, ASA⁶, oldest s. of Ephraim⁵ and Beulah, m. Bethia, dau. of Jonas and Mary Winship, thus introducing into the family a musical element, which has made the air of many households deriving existence from him vocal with melody and song. He set. with his f. on the original Miller place, though sharing with his bro. Ezra the hitherto undivided homestead of his predecessors, as noted below. He was several years Selectman, and served two years on the Sch. Com. By some unaccountable fatality his mind became unbalanced in mid-life, so that he came to his death by his own hand, May 17, 1816, at the a. of 46. Bethia, his wid., d. Nov. 26, 1854, a. 82. Chn.:

61. PRUDENCE⁷, b. April 13, 1796; m. Jonas Merriam; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. Feb. 3, 1873.
62. JONAS⁷, b. May 9, 1798; m. twice; res. W.
63. EPHRAIM⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1801; d. Oct. 16, 1805.
64. GEORGE F.⁷, b. April 19, 1804; m. Melinda Edgell; res. W., etc.
65. ALFRED⁷, b. Nov. 24, 1806; d. May 24, 1814.
66. MARY ANN⁷, b. Aug. 9, 1809; m. Elisha Mirick; res. Pn.; sev. chn.
67. SARAH⁷, b. April 25, 1812; m. Geo. Kendall; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. July 31, 1844.

[24.] MILLER, EZRA⁶, bro. of the last, m. Dec. 18, 1794, Lucy, dau. of Jonathan P. and Tamer (Ross) Whitcomb of Gr. The paternal estate being divided, as stated above, he settled upon the south part of it, building and occupying, while he lived, the house recently owned by J. M. Child. Mr. Miller was a man of industrious, frugal habits and upright character, receiving repeated expressions of respect and confidence from his fellow-townsmen. He was Selectman 1814, 1815. He d. Jan. 29, 1846, a. 74. His w. d. Nov. 3, 1843, a. 69. Chn.:

68. EZRA⁷, b. Jan. 25, 1796; went West, m., and had chn.
69. STILLMAN⁷, b. Oct. 22, 1798; d. Oct. 3, 1805.
70. SALMON⁷, b. July 30, 1800; m. Mary Ann Gleason; res. Chelsea; 1 chd.; d.
71. LORANA⁷, b. June 25, 1802; m. Wm. Edgell; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 20, 1864.
72. LYDIA⁷, b. Jan. 27, 1804; m. Asa Cutting; res. W.; 1 chd.; living Illinois.
73. STILLMAN⁷, b. Sept. 7, 1806; d. Oct. 20, 1810.
74. DORINDA⁷, b. Oct. 25, 1809; m. Major Page; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
75. SYLVESTER⁷, b. Jan. 27, 1811; m. Lucy B. Nichols; res. W.
76. LUCY⁷, b. March 5, 1814; m. Geo. Goldthwaite; res. W., etc.; 3 chn.; dec'd.

[25.] MILLER, JOHN⁶, youngest s. of Ephraim⁵ and Beulah, was a cabinetmaker by trade, and in 1798, having formed a partnership with Edward Kendall, bought of Silas Perry the house

and lot now owned by Charles Eaton, and carried on business there for a few years. He then disposed of his interest and rem. to Worc., where he d. July 15, 1828, a. 53. His w. was Lucy, dau. of Abel and Keziah Goulding of Shy., who d. Oct. 31, 1849, a. 72. Chn.:

77. HENRY W.⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1800; m. Nancy C. Merrick and Mary Andrews; d. May 31, 1891.
 78. MARIA⁷, b. Nov. 14, 1802; m. Smith Kendall; res. Worc.; 1 dau.; d. Aug. 15, 1891.
 79. MARY⁷; d. in infancy.
 80. MARY⁷, b. May 24, 1807; m. Wm. Barker; res. Worc.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 14, 1878.
 81. JOHN⁷, b. March 17, —; m. Harriet Robinson; res. Ohio; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 6, 1881.
 82. ASA⁷; d. childhood. 83. LUCY⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1820; living unm.

Henry W. Miller⁷ (77) was a successful and most honorable merchant of Worc. He had 3 chn.: a son, who d. young, and 2 daus.: Ruth A., the w. of Senator Geo. F. Hoar, and Alice, w. of ex-Congressman Wm. W. Rice.

[31.] MILLER, JOSIAH⁶, s. of Samuel⁵ and Lydia (Cutting) Miller, m. Zerviah —, prob. of New Salem, where they lived a few years. Returning to W. he and his family were temporarily residents in town, but left ab. 1820 for Prescott, where he d. April 6, 1852, a. 71. Chn.:

89. ZERVIAH M.⁷, b. N. S., May 31, 1808; d. soon.
 90. ELIZABETH M.⁷, b. N. S., May 1, 1810.
 91. NANCY C.⁷, b. N. S., March 16, 1812.
 92. ZERVIAH⁷, b. N. S., Aug. 14, 1813. 93. JOSIAH⁷, b. W., April 5, 1816.
 94. DAVID⁷, b. W., Aug. 17, 1817.

[33.] MILLER, JOHN C.⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Abigail (Walker), wid. of Jonas Fessenden, in 1808, and thereby came into possession of the original Timothy Fessenden estate, in the S. E. part of the town, where he afterward res. His w. d. Feb. 9, 1822, a. 46, and he m. (2) July 10, 1823, Tabitha, dau. of Dea. David and Elizabeth (Barron) Whitney, who survived him many years. He d. Oct. 2, 1864, a. 79. She d. April 11, 1888, a. 95. Chn.:

95. CHARLOTTE⁷, b. May 31, 1810; m. Moses Chamberlain; res. Temp.; 11 chn.; d. June 8, 1888.
 96. MARY⁷, b. Sept. 17, 1813; m. Justus Lamb; res. Temp.; 5 chn.; living.
 97. ABIGAIL⁷, b. March 2, 1815; d. March 13, 1815.
 98. NANCY⁷, b. Jan. 19, 1820; m. Geo. W. Gregory; res. Winch.; 6 chn.; living.
 99. JOHN F.⁷, b. May 7, 1824; d. unm. Aug. 17, 1846.
 100. ELIZABETH⁷, b. Dec. 19, 1825; d. Aug. 27, 1826.
 101. GEORGE⁷, b. July 11, 1827; m. Clarrissa E. Gill; res. Wis.; 5 chn.; d. May, 1866?
 102. DAVID W.⁷, b. May 5, 1829; m. Laura E. Davis; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
 103. SARAH E.⁷, b. Dec. 24, 1830; m. Thomas Marshall; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; l.
 104. JOSEPH⁷, b. Oct. 14, 1832; m. Emily Follett; res. Pn.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 8, 1893.
 105. ISAAC B.⁷, b. Nov. 22, 1834; m. Jennie E. Potter; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.
 106. CALVIN⁷, b. March 18, 1837; m. Amelia V. Alger; res. Athol; 2 chn.; living.

[50.] MILLER, BENJAMIN⁷, s. of John⁶ and Betsey, m. Hannah, dau. of Preston and Hannah (Rice) Pond (pub. April 29), 1825, and res. W. He d. Sept. 4, 1877, a. 54. His wid., who m. (2) Jacob Sawin, d. at Shelburne Falls, where her eldest dau. lives, Sept. 16, 1888, a. 80. Chn.:

- 107. AUGUSTA⁸; m. Silas Nims, etc.; res. Shelburne Falls.
- 108. MARY⁸; m. Lyman Fenno; res. Gr.
- 109. CALVIN⁸; went South; never heard from after Rebellion.
- 110. MARTHA⁸; m. A. Clark Rice, etc.; res. Fg.

[55.] MILLER, AMOS⁷, bro. of the last, m. Martha S., dau. of Ephraim and Betsey (Sawin) Williams, Oct. 6, 1834. After res. in Gr. a few yrs., he returned to W. and set. on the estate owned by his f., near Wachusett. Besides carrying on his farm he was much engaged in the cattle trade. He d. Jan. 7, 1866, as the result of a kick from his horse, being found dead in the stable. His wid. is still living in Gr. Chn.:

- 111. GEORGE W.⁸, b. Gr., May 23, 1835; m. Susan Brooks; res. Baltimore.
- 112. JAMES W.⁸, b. Gr., Dec. 1, 1836; m. Elizabeth W. Odiorne; res. Pn.
- 113. MARCUS M.⁸, b. W., April 8, 1840; m. Abbie M. Cutler; res. Gr. (See p. 409.)
- 114. MARY F.⁸, b. W., March 13, 1847; m. Newell Merriam; res. Gr.

[62.] MILLER, JONAS⁷, s. of Asa and Bethia, m. (1) Betsey, dau. Abel and Phebe (Holden) Wood (pub. April 16), 1825, and set. on the ancestral estate; res. there till advancing age and declining strength induced him to give way to one of his sons. He subsequently res. in the Col. Bigelow house, near the First Parish meetinghouse. His w. d. March 7, 1826, a. 30, and he m. (2) Susan, dau. of Thaddeus and Relief Bond, Jan. 20, 1829, the mother of all the chn. that survived their infancy. He d. Nov. 8, 1880, a. 82. She d. June 30, 1882, a. 80. Chn.:

- 115. Unnamed⁸, b. Feb. 21, 1826; d. same day.
- 116. HENRY K. W.⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1829; m. Annie E. Taylor; res. Birmingham, Conn.; 2 chn.; d. July 24, 1880.
- 117. J. HERVEY⁸, b. Feb. 11, 1832; m. twice; res. W.
- 118. EDWARD P.⁸, b. March 16, 1834; m. Mandana Ball; res. W., etc.
- 119. ELIZABETH W.⁸, b. April 26, 1836; d. unm. Feb. 17, 1888.
- 120. CYRUS K.⁸, b. June 5, 1838; in war of the Rebellion (see Chap. XXI); d. July 8, 1863.
- 121. CHARLES A.⁸, b. March 18, 1841; in war of Rebellion (see Chap. XX); d. July 9, 1864.

[64.] MILLER, GEORGE FLETCHER⁷, bro. of the last, a painter by trade, and a school-teacher for some years of unusual capability, tact, and efficiency, introducing many new methods and appliances to aid him in his work. With a natural inclination to and aptitude for music, he devoted himself to the study and practice of that important art, becoming a very popular and a very successful teacher of it, especially in the line of church choir singing and of juvenile training and culture. He first discovered the talent of Jennie Twichell, afterwards Mrs. Kempton, and started her on the way to that enviable success which she, as a concert and oratorio singer, has been enabled to achieve. He was a choir leader up to the day of his death, in which capacity he excelled. A friend of Anti-Slavery, Temperance, and other reforms, he did what he could to promote them and secure the beneficent and happy ends they were calculated to subserve. A devoted, earnest, active member of

the Orthodox Congregational Church, he rendered it and the cause it stood for unfaltering service, and in the Sabbath School, of which he was Supt. the greater part of his life, his labors were unceasing and his influence for good powerful and abiding.

He m. April 28, 1829, Melinda, dau. of Wm. and Thankful (Puffer) Edgell, and first set. in Boston, but soon returned to W. and lived awhile, and then rem. to Royalston, where, with the exception of a few years passed in Westfield as teacher of vocal music in the State Normal School, he spent his remaining days. He joined the choir of the immortals as the result of being thrown from a carriage, Dec. 1, 1874, and was buried in the cemetery at Royalston, his grave being marked by a white marble slab bearing in addition to his name, etc., the inscription placed there at his own request: "He taught the children to sing." His wife d. Feb. 14, 1874, a. 67. Chn.:

122. MARY E.⁸, b. Sept. 20, 1831; m. Calvin Bullock; res. Royalston; 1 chd.; l.
123. SARAH M.⁸, b. Jan. 31, 1833; res. at Royalston, unm.
124. SUSAN M.⁸, b. Oct. 13, 1834; m. Rev. S. J. Austin; res. Darien, Conn.; 1 chd.; living.
125. EMMA B.⁸, b. Nov. 3, 1836; m. Herman Partridge; res. Royalston; 3 chn.; l.
126. GEORGE EDWARDS⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1838; m. Fannie M. Brooks; res. Norwalk, Conn.; 3 chn.; living.

[75.] MILLER, SYLVESTER⁷, the only s. of Ezra⁶ and Lucy who res. permanently in W., was a chair manufacturer and dealer, also a teamster during a portion of his life. He m. May 15, 1834, Lucy B., dau. of Asa and Mary (Derby) Nichols, and made his home at the E. end of the central village. He d. July 28, 1847, a. 36, and his wife m. (2) Abram Wood. She d. Dec. 29, 1875, a. 58. Chn.:

127. HARRIET A.⁸, b. April 13, 1837; m. A. S. Ingalls and C. F. Bradbury; res. Arlington; 1 chd.
128. GEORGE A.⁸, b. June 6, 1841; m. Susan H. Wilson; a successful merchant, Boston; no chn.

[105.] MILLER, ISAAC B.⁷, s. of John C.⁶ and Tabitha, m. Jennie E. Potter of New Haven, Conn., Oct. 30, 1859. After a brief sojourn in Wisconsin, he ret. to W., where he lived a few years, but subsequently rem. to Gr., where he now res. Chn.:

129. WILLIE E.⁸, b. Wis., Sept. 23, 1860; d. Feb. 19, 1861.
130. SARAH ALENE⁸, b. W., June 16, 1862; m. Willie O. Sawin; d. May 30, 1881.
131. JOHN C.⁸, b. W., June 18, 1864; a civil engineer; res. Chicago.

[117.] MILLER, J. HERVEY⁸, s. of Jonas⁷ and Susan, has been a permanent resident of the town and one of its most active, useful, and honored citizens. He enlisted in the service of the Govt. for the suppression of the Rebellion, where he lost an arm. (See Chap. XX.) He has served as Assessor ab. 20 years, as Selectman 4 years, and filled other important public positions, indicative of the respect in which he is held and of the fidelity with which he fulfills the trusts reposed in him. He m. (1)

Oct. 7, 1854, Mary, dau. of John and Abigail (Wood) Harrington of Pn., who bore him 4 chn. and d. March 11, 1865, a. 28; and (2) Lizzie D., dau. of Nathan and Cynthia (Derby) Rice of Pn., May 6, 1866, who has also had 4 chn.

132. FREDDIE H.⁹, b. May 26, 1855; d. Feb. 8, 1856.

133. FRANK E.⁹, b. Oct. 10, 1856; m. Ida A. Peck; res. W.; 2 chn.

134. WILLIE H.⁹, b. Jan. 16, 1860; unm.; res. Jerseyville, Ill.; d. April 18, 1892.

135. ALFREDA G.⁹, b. Jan. 23, 1862; d. Nov. 24, 1881.

136. CYRUS T.⁹, b. Sept. 11, 1867; m. Lillian B. Lamb; res. W.

137. GEORGE H.⁹, b. Sept. 6, 1868; unm.; res. Lawrence.

138. EDDIE R.⁹, b. Nov. 9, 1871; res. W.

139. HARRY W.⁹, b. Nov. 1, 1873.

[118.] MILLER, EDWARD P.⁸, bro. of the last, m. Dec. 11, 1858, Mandana, dau. of Dunsmore and Elmina (Shepard) Ball of Boylston, and set. on the original Dea. Miller homestead, which he occupied some 18 yrs. In Nov., 1876, he sold it to the present owner, Otis W. Sawin, and left tn. Half a dozen years since he ret. and located on the Rev. Elisha Marsh farm, Meetinghouse Hill (Rev. Cyrus Mann house), where he now res. He was in the war of the Rebellion. (See p. 419.) Chn.:

140. LOUIS S.⁹, b. Aug. 25, 1860; m. Mary J. Holden; res. W.; no chn.

141. SUSIE E.⁹, b. Dec. 20, 1863; d. Sept. 3, 1865.

142. CHARLES K.⁹, b. Dec. 25, 1865; m. Etta Fellows; res. Lawrence; 1 chd.

[133.] MILLER, FRANK E.⁹, s. of J. Hervey⁸ and Mary (Harrington) Miller, m. Ida A. Peck and res. W. They have 2 chn.:

143. ALFREDA M.¹⁰, b. Sept. 21, 1888.

144. MARY L.¹⁰, b. April 26, 1890.

[136.] MILLER, CYRUS T.⁹, s. of J. Hervey⁸ and Lizzie D. (Rice) Miller, m. Lillian C., dau. of Stephen and Anna P. (Brown) Lamb, res. W., and has 1 chd.:

145. Name not received.

The Millers thus far mentioned descended from Dea. Joseph of early W. memory. Those hereafter named may have been of the same immigrant stock, but their lineage has not been ascertained.

146. MILLER, MATTHEWS, s. of John and Janet (Matthews) Miller, was b. Hancock, N. H., Oct. 5, 1814. He m. June 29, 1843, Charlotte Stanley Lakin, and after living in his native town a few years, where his chn. were b., and temporarily in Marlboro', N. H., came to W. and located on the Joshua Moore place in the west part, being Highway Surveyor of the district in 1869. His w. d. Marlboro', N. H., Feb. 5, 1882, a. 62. Chn.:

147. GEORGE A., b. Sept. 20, 1844; d. Sept. 18, 1846.

148. CHARLES M., b. July 24, 1847; m. Lucia C. Maynard; res. W.

149. LURA B., b. Dec. 10, 1851; m. Calvin Eaton; res. W.; no chn.; living.

[148.] MILLER, CHARLES MARO, s. of the last, m. Lucia C., dau. Luther and Prudent (Brown) Maynard of Stow, May 17, 1874. He is a farmer and res. as above indicated. Chn.:

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| 150. GEORGE M., b. Oct. 4, 1875. | 151. CALVIN W., b. Dec. 12, 1878. |
| 152. LEONA B., b. Jan. 23, 1881. | 153. AMY G., b. Oct. 20, 1883. |
| 154. LEON W., b. April 23, 1886. | 155. ERNEST L., b. Sept. 3, 1888. |
| 156. GRACE J., b. Dec. 5, 1889. | |

James Miller, bro. of Matthews (146), b. Hancock, 1807; d. W. unm. May 7, 1865.

1. MILLS, WILLIAM, ptge., etc., unkn., perhaps from Newbury, seems to have come into town 1784, and, in company with Peletiah Everett, to have purchased the property near the foot of the W. Pond, where A. Clark Rice recently lived, opening there a public house and running it together for awhile. His place of res. and occupation subsequently are not known. He appears to have moved to Boston after ab. half a dozen years, and to have d. there bef. 1791. He was a Rev. soldier and a member of the "Society of the Cincinnati," as was also Mr. Everett, and it is prob. the two became acquainted through their army relations. He was pub. to Sally Bowman of W. (ptge., etc., unknown), Jan. 31, 1785, by whom he had 4 chn. After his d. the family returned here and Mrs. M. was engaged in teaching school in 1794, being paid for such service in So. Dist. Chn.:

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| 2. HENRY J., b. April 13, 1785. | 3. SALLY, b. Aug. 24, 1786. |
| 4. MARIETTA, b. Nov. 4, 1788. | 5. —, b. Boston, 1790? |

Marietta Mills (4), one of these chn., lived in town many years and was a woman of property and standing. She owned a part of the Perry (Charles Eaton) house for some years, Edward Kendall having the other part. Lived subsequently with Mrs. John Hoar. Purchased a pew in Meetinghouse 1819. Was "of Lancaster" 1830.

MINOTT.

The first of this name in N. E. was George¹, s. of Thomas Minott, Esq., of Essex, b. Aug. 4, 1594. He is said to have been a staunch Puritan, uniting his fortunes with those of some of the early colonists and coming hither that he, with his associates, might enjoy the privileges of civil and religious liberty, and worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. He set. in that part of Dorchester now known as Neponset, where he was made "Freeman" in 1634, and elected Rep. to the Gen. Ct. in 1735 and 1736. For more than 30 yrs. he served as Elder in the chh., having for a contemporary Elder Humphrey, the ancestor of a most reputable family not yet extinct in that vicinity. The excellences of these two ecclesiastical worthies were formerly commemorated by a unique inscription on a tombstone in the old Dorchester burying ground, now displaced and probably destroyed, running thus:

"Here lie the bodies of Unite Humphrey and Shining Minott,
Such names as these, they never die not."

Mr. Minott, who passed away in 1671, left a s. James², the f. of another James³, who located in Concord. The latter had Jonathan⁴, a res. of Westford, whose s. Jonathan⁵ completes the ancestral line of the first W. family.

1. MINOTT, JONATHAN⁶, s. of the last, was b. Westford, Sept. 3, 1749. He was a Rev. sold. and served at Bunker Hill. When exactly 28 yrs. of a., Sept. 3, 1777, he m. Hannah Eastman of the same tn., and prob. came at once to their home here. A year previous, July 3, 1776, the day bef. the signing of

the Dec. of Ind., he had bought of Andrew Poore, Leom., the 2d and 3d Div. lots drawn on No. 8, originally belonging to Rev. Elisha Marsh. They were located adjacent to each other in the present west part of the town, and constituted the essential portion of the well-known farm still in the keeping of the fam. Mr. Minott was a man of sturdy physique and of corresponding characteristics otherwise. He was a successful farmer, adding continually to his landed and other possessions, and becoming in a few years one of the largest taxpayers in town. He d. April 3, 1833, a. 83. Mrs. Minott d. June 14, 1838, a. 79. Chn.:

2. JONATHAN⁷, b. May 12, 1779; m. Ruth Adams; res. W.; no chn.; d. April 15, 1832.
3. JOSEPH⁷, b. Sept. 12, 1781; m. Sally Graves; res. W.; 12 chn.; d. Dec. 10, 1835.
4. HANNAH⁷, b. April 12, 1785; m. Reuben How; res. Rut. and W.; 6 chn.; d. May 8, 1860.
5. BETSEY⁷, b. Aug. 15, 1787; m. Justus Holden; res. Barre and W.; chn.; d. Jan. 28, 1874.
6. SALLY⁷, b. May 3, 1790; m. Otis Titus; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. June 15, 1883.
7. AMOS B.⁷, b. Oct. 14, 1792; m. Mary Hardy; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Aug. 21, 1823.
8. LEONARD⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1795; m. Myra Whitney; res. W.; no chn.; d. June 26, 1844.
9. JOHN⁷, b. Jan. 30, 1797; m. wid. of bro. Amos B.; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Aug. 24, 1876.
10. LUKE⁷, b. April 26, 1800; m. Catharine Fowle; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. June 7, 1841.
11. HITTIE E.⁷, b. Sept. 20, 1802; m. Isaac Jackson; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; d. Jan. 1, 1852.
12. MARY ANN⁷, b. Dec. 27, 1808; m. Levi Hardy; res. Hollis, N. H., and Worc.

[3.] MINOTT, JOSEPH⁷, s. of the last, m. Sally, dau. of Levi and Rebecca (Wood) Graves (pub. Sept. 6, 1807). He was a carpenter by trade, and carried on the business of building for some years with his older bro., Jonathan. At length he turned his attention to the manufacture of bass viols, in which calling he proved to be a skillful and satisfactory workman. His instruments had an excellent reputation, both for purity and richness of tone and quality of construction, and found a ready and extensive market. His workshop stood on the ground now occupied by the Baptist meetinghouse, near his place of residence, where Mrs. Dr. Warner now lives. He passed away Dec. 10, 1835, a. 54. His wid. followed him July 31, 1855, a. 71. Chn.:

13. SALLY L.⁸, b. Nov. 20, 1807; m. Timothy Fessenden; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Sept. 27, 1861?
14. REBECCA M.⁸, b. March 13, 1809; m. Reed Merriam; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. June 21, 1860.
15. JOSEPH N.⁸, b. Nov. 2, 1811; m. Betsey Merriam; res. W. and Worc.
16. SUSAN A.⁸, b. Dec. 27, 1813; d. April 11, 1827.
17. MARTHA A.⁸, b. April 17, 1816; m. Geo. S. Burrage; res. Leom.; 3 chn.; 1.
18. MARY W.⁸, b. Feb. 7, 1819; m. Asaph Wood; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Worc.
19. RUTH M.⁸, b. July 14, 1821; d. April 9, 1827.
20. LEVI W.⁸, b. June 4, 1824; d. July 19, 1824. [May?, 1891.
21. HENRY W.⁸, b. June 15, 1825; m. twice; res. Spring Valley, Minn.; 1 chd.; d.
22. LEVI E.⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1827; m. — Crocker; res. Sheboygan, Wis.; 3 chn.; 1.
23. CHARLES M.⁸, b. Oct. 22, 1829; d. July 15, 1831.
24. SUSAN M.⁸, b. 1831; d. Oct. 7, 1848.

[7.] MINOTT, AMOS B.⁷, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Enos and Mary Hardy of Hollis, N. H., Nov. 25, 1819. He

owned and res. in the John Hoar house at the west end of the village, now occupied by J. Frank Howard. He d. Aug. 21, 1823, a. 30, and his wid. m. (2) his bro. John, as mentioned below. Chn.:

- 25. AMOS B.⁸, b. Jan. 25, 1821; m. Maria Breck; res. Gr.; 5 chn.; living.
- 26. MARY ANN⁸, b. March 17, 1822; m. Farwell Edgell; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d. Jan. 26, 1860.
- 27. JONATHAN E.⁸, b. Feb. 22, 1824; m. Emily M. Gilson.

[9.] MINOTT, JOHN⁷, bro. of the last two, m. Jan. 3, 1825, Mary (Hardy) Minott, the wid. of Amos B.⁷, and res. through life on the paternal estate. He was one of the most prosperous and independent farmers of the town. Of strong common sense and good judgment in all practical affairs, dignified and courteous in manner, he commanded the respect and confidence of his fellow-citizens and of the general public. He served the town 4 years as Selectman and 2 years as Assessor. He was also 1 yr. on the Sch. Com., and in many minor positions of responsibility from time to time. He and his worthy companion lived to celebrate the 50th anny. of their m., but ere long thereafter were called to the eternal world. He d. Aug. 24, 1876, a. 79, and she seven months later, March 10, 1877, a. 78. Chn.:

- 28. SUSAN A.⁸, b. Oct. 2, 1825; m. three times; res. Gr. and Fg.; 1 chd.; d. April 8, 1874.
- 29. JOHN H.⁸, b. June 17, 1827; m. Eliza A. Kendall; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
- 30. FREDERIC H.⁸, b. Jan. 26, 1830; d. Aug. 20, 1831.
- 31. FREDERIC H.⁸, b. Jan. 5, 1832; m. three times; res. W.
- 32. ELLEN⁸, b. Dec. 8, 1842; d. Dec. 22, 1842.

[10.] MINOTT, LUKE⁷, youngest s. of Jonathan⁶ and Hannah, m. Oct. 26, 1829, Catharine, dau. Augustus and Susannah (Brown) Fowle of Woburn. Like most of his bros. he was a carpenter, and in connection with other buildings he erected two houses at the E. end of the village, in each of which he successively res. He d. June 7, 1841, a. 41. She d. 1890. Chn.:

- 33. C. APPLETON⁸, b. Nov. 6, 1830; m. Hattie Tuttle; res. Lowell; d. Jan. 9, 1871.
- 34. ALBERT⁸, b. July 31, 1832; m. Martha Carr; res. W.
- 35. HARRIET⁸, b. July 6, 1834; d. Aug. 18, 1835.
- 36. CATHARINE F.⁸, b. March 31, 1836; m. Wallace Cheney; res. W., etc.; 2 chn.; living.
- 37. AUGUSTUS⁸, b. July 7, 1838; m. Maria Warren; res. Leicester.
- 38. HARRIET⁸, b. July 5, 1840; d. unm., Oct. 20, 1878.

[15.] MINOTT, JOSEPH NELSON⁸, oldest s. of Joseph⁷ and Sally, was also a carpenter, living and working at his trade in W. many years, when he moved to Worc. A man of genial disposition, generous hospitality, and exemplary life. He m. Betsey, dau. of Asa and Lucena (Puffer) Merriam, in 1838. He d. June 8, 1868, a. 57. She d. Feb. 8, 1887, a. 72. Chd.:

- 39. MARY S.⁹, b. Nov. 30, 1842; living at Worc., unm.

[31.] MINOTT, FREDERICK H⁸, s. of John⁷ and Mary (Hardy) Minott, remained on the old homestead, succeeding his father

in its ownership and management. He was a skillful farmer and an intelligent, trustworthy, honored citizen. He served the town as a member of the School Committee and in other ways promotive of the common welfare. He m. three times: (1) Mary A. Roberts of Meriden, Conn., Aug. 3, 1854, who d. without issue, Aug. 18, 1857, a. 25; (2) Mary A., dau. Joseph and Harriet A. (Maynard) Grimes of Hub., May 21, 1863, who was the mother of 6 chn., dying July 10, 1873, a. 29; and (3) Emily H. Perkins, who had 1 chd. and survived him. Chn.:

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| 40. CARRIE L. ⁹ , b. July 9, 1864. | 41. JOHN ⁹ , b. Jan. 18, 1866. |
| 42. JENNIE S. ⁹ , b. Dec. 31, 1867; d. Feb. 18, 1886. | |
| 43. ELLA ⁹ , b. Aug. 9, 1869. | 44. MARY A. ⁹ , b. Aug. 23, 1871. |
| 45. MAGGIE E. ⁹ , b. June 25, 1873. | |
| 46. EVA M. ⁹ , b. May 7, 1879; d. Feb. 15, 1881. | |

[34.] MINOTT, ALBERT⁸, s. of Luke⁷ and Catharine, m. Sept. 13, 1857, Martha Ellen, dau. Walter V. and Brucey (Cowdrey) Carr, and set. on the Charles Smith place, Scrabble Hollow. Chn.:

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| 47. CHARLES W. ⁹ , b. April 1, 1859; m. Fannie E. Estey; res. Burlington, Vt.; grad. M. A. C. | |
| 48. CLIFFORD L. ⁹ , b. Aug. 20, 1862; d. Feb. 3, 1865. | |
| 49. WALLACE A. ⁹ , b. Feb. 22, 1868. | 50. LEON A. ⁹ , b. Oct. 4, 1878. |

MOORE.

One John Moore¹, supposed to be the immigrant ancestor of most or all of those bearing the name in central Mass., was in Camb. bef. 1640, took the oath of allegiance in that year, and made a permanent settlement in Sudbury. His w.'s name was Elizabeth. Of these parents was b. a s., known as Ensign John², an early settler and prominent citizen of Lancaster, who m. Anna Smith of S., Nov. 16, 1654. They had a s., also named John³, b. 1662, who in his turn m. Hezadiah, dau. of Jonas and Lydia Fairbanks, July 1, 1698.

I. MOOR, FAIRBANKS⁴, giving the name as he himself wrote it (though his ancestors and collateral relatives almost invariably used the final *e*), was s. of John³ and Hezadiah, b. ab. 1700, the date not being found in the records at Lancaster, where he res. for many years and where all his chn. were b. He m. April 30, 1723, Judith, dau. Benjamin and Dorcas (Cutter) Willard Bellows, who res. successively at Marlboro', Lancaster, and Lunenburg. He was the first actual settler in Nar. No. 2,—Westminster. A full sketch of his career is given in connection with the account of that event in Chap. V., and need not be repeated here any further than to tabulate, with a few accompanying data, his family. He d. March 6, 1758. The date of the d. of his w. is unkn. Chn.:

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| 2. JOHN ⁵ , b. Nov. 28, 1723; went Bolton, Conn.; in King George's War, 1745; d. 1746. | |
| 3. JONAS ⁵ , b. Oct. 6, 1725; res. Putney, Vt., 1771; house sacked by N. H. insurgents. | |
| 4. FAIRBANKS ⁵ , b. July 25, 1728; early set. Walpole, N. H.; in Putney, Vt., 1768. | |

5. WILLIAM⁵, b. Jan. 17, 1730-1; no trace of him found; prob. d. young.
6. BENJAMIN⁵, b. July 30, 1733; m. and set. Brattleboro', Vt.; slain March 6, 1758.
7. PAUL⁵, b. Nov. 4, 1736; no trace of him found.
8. ABNER⁵, (?) b. prob. at Nar. No. 2, 1738 or 1739; d. 1742.

[For full particulars of the eventful experiences of three of the above sons of Fairbanks Moor — Jonas, Fairbanks, Jr., and Benjamin — the reader is referred to the Chapter mentioned above.]

9. MOORE, JOSHUA⁶, s. of John⁵ and Esther (Bigelow) Moore of Worc., was b. Nov. 20, 1772. He was a lineal descendant of the first named John¹ of Sudbury, the connecting links being Jacob², Richard³, and Isaac⁴ who located in Worc. soon after its third and permanent settlement in 1713.

Joshua Moore⁶ was a blacksmith by trade, working at the forge while a young man in his native town and subsequently at Athol, where he first established himself in life, and where he m. May —, 1799, Deborah Townsend, the mother of his first three chn. In Jan., 1805, he removed to W., having purchased the Nathan Darby farm, a mile N. W. of the Center, now in possession of Matthews Miller, and devoted himself chiefly thereafter to agricultural pursuits. His w. d. the following year, April 7, a. 27, and he m. (2) Aug. 8, 1808, Martha, dau. of Jacob and Anna Harris of Ash., and sr. of Rev. Samuel Harris of Windham, N. H. Mr. Moore was a man of strong physical and intellectual constitution, of unimpeachable integrity, independent in thought and action, and fond of debate, in which he was no mean antagonist. "During the later years of his life," writes his son, M. H. Moore, "he took an active interest in town affairs, strongly advocating what he believed to be beneficial, and as strongly opposing what he believed injurious," to the public. His principal dwelling house, with a portion of its contents, was burned Feb. 8, 1823 and never rebuilt, a smaller one on the premises serving his needs afterwards. He departed this life, May 17, 1848, a. 75. His wid. d. at Gr., Nov. 11, 1863, a. 79. Chn.:

10. ELIZA⁷, b. April 27, 1800; m. Constant Southworth; res. Boston; no chn.; d. Sept. 29, 1887.
11. ARAD⁷, b. March 13, 1802; m. wid. Harriet Maynard; res. Waltham; 1 chd.; d. Jan. 5, 1869.
12. EMILY⁷, b. Aug. 26, 1804; d. April 3, 1806, at W.
13. EMILY⁷, b. March 18, 1810; a skillful and faithful nurse; d. Nov. 8, 1881.
14. MARIUS H.⁷, b. May 24, 1814; m. Elizabeth Wood; res. Leom.; 3 chn.; living.
15. CORDELIA E.⁷, b. Aug. 21, 1823; m. Franklin H. Sprague; res. Fram.; 5 chn.; living.
16. JOHN M.⁷, b. July 22, 1827; m. Myra A. Sawin; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; living.

[14.] MOORE, MARIUS HARRIS⁷, s. of Joshua⁶ and Martha, m. Aug. 26, 1847, Elizabeth, dau. James and Maria B. Wood of Leom., where she was b. March 20, 1822. They lived at W. on the old place, though in the house built by himself and now occupied by Mr. Miller, till 1866, when he disposed of the property and rem. to Leom., where they still reside. Mr. Moore is a carpenter by trade, but has given much time and attention to

farming. Has been much interested in reform questions, especially as represented in Anti-Slavery and Temperance, his active efforts in behalf of the latter cause having at times provoked much bitterness of feeling against him and occasional personal indignities becoming the fell spirit which gave them birth. Chn.: .

17. WILLIAM EVERETT⁸, b. June 20, 1852; m. Emma J. Ballou; res. Leom.

18. WILBUR F.⁸, b. June 25, 1860; unm.; res. Leom.

19. EMMA C.⁸, b. Oct. 1, 1864; unm.; res. Leom.

Arad Moore⁷ (11), the only s. of Joshua⁶ by his first m., fitted for and grad. at Amherst College in 1828. He subsequently studied law, and engaged in its practice at Waltham from 1831 to 1861. In 1865 he moved to Fram., where he d. Jan. 5, 1869, a. 66. He left a s. Frank, who res. at Concord.

John Milton Moore⁷ (16), youngest s. of Joshua⁶, soon after becoming of age set. in Gr., where he has been, and still is, an active, useful, and honored citizen. He was for many years engaged in the manufacture of chairs, most of the time as member of the firm of "Wright, Moore, and Co." in the So. Village. He retired in 1877, and has since been employed as clerk and expert accountant at home and elsewhere. He holds a commission as Justice of the Peace, and has served on the Sch. Com. more than 35 yrs. He represented the town in the lower house of the Gen. Ct. in 1855 and 1870, and was a member of the Senate 1881, 1882. He m. Myra A., dau. of Joseph D. and Marcia M. Sawin of Gr., Nov. 29, 1854, and has 1 s., John Myron⁸, Asst. Cashier of the First National Bank in that town.

20. MOORE, ASA, s. of Dea. Israel and Catharine of Stg., was bap. 1786 and m. May 31, 1804, Sabra Lovell of Holden. They first set. in W. Boylston, but moved to W. ab. 1811, in which yr., Sept. 9, he bought the Narrows sawmill, and related property, of Nathaniel G. Wood. Aug. 18, 1816, they were dis. from the W. B. chh. to that of W. Soon after, Mr. M. exchanged the mill, etc., for lands in Royalston and perhaps rem. thither. He, however, was in Rutland in 1825, and in Hub., 1854, where his w., Sabra, d., a. 68. He m. again, but further particulars have not been found.

MORRILL.

On the list of original settlers of Salisbury, as attested by the Recorder of the township, Thomas Bradbury, is the following, to wit: "No. 31. Abraham Morrill, Dec. 3, 1650." He was in the place at least 11 yrs. earlier, having 1st Div. lots granted him in the distribution of lands in 1639. A man of the same name, sup. to be the same person, was living in Camb., near what is now "Porters Station," in 1633. By his w., Sarah, Abraham Morrill¹ of Salisbury had 8 chn., of whom Jacob² was b. Aug. 24, 1648. The line of descent ran from him through Aaron³, b. ab. 1680, who m. Joanna Heath, to a second Aaron⁴, b. 1723, the f. of Thomas⁵, b. Feb. 10, 1744-5. By his w., Hannah Worthen, he had Thomas⁶, b. Jan. 8, 1776, who m. Polly Eastman. Of this couple was b. at Salisbury, May 10, 1799, Amos Morrill⁷, who m. Mary Ann, dau. of Henry and Lovisa Coolidge of this tn., and set. in the suburbs of Boston. He was an ingenious mechanic and an enterprising, well-equipped, active business man. To much of native inventive skill he added superior administrative ability, which gave promise of a successful and meritorious career in life. But that promise was never fulfilled. When only about 33 yrs. of age, he was stricken with apoplexy in his own dwelling, dying, without recovering consciousness, a few hours afterward.

I. MORRILL, MRS. MARY ANN, wid. of Amos⁷, came to W. with her little ones soon after the d. of her husband, and here

she res., much respected by all who knew her, until they arrived at mature age and left town, when she went to live with them elsewhere, dying at Camb. some 10 years since. Chn.:

2. JEFFERSON⁸, b. July 12, 1828; m. Mary Ann Carter; 1 chd.; d. May 29, 1875.
3. MARY ANN⁸; birth date unkn.; res. with bro. Amos; d. Nov., 1890, unm.
4. LORENA⁸, b. ab. 1831; educated and taught school; d. in early womanhood.
5. AMOS⁸, the posthumous son of Amos⁷, b. near Boston, prob. 1833.

The latter (5) was educated in the schools of W., and was well known in town during his boyhood and youth. In early manhood he secured a place in the store of Abel S. Wood, Gr. Center, where he subsequently became partner in a Dry Goods and Grocery concern. After the war he abandoned mercantile pursuits and was engaged with others a few years in the manufacture of lumber, etc., at Erving and Wendell. There he developed unusual business talent and executive ability, which opened the way to larger opportunities and a more remunerative field of service. He at length entered the chair manufacturing firm of "Heywood Bros. & Co.," taking charge of the N. Y. trade, and contributing largely to the continued success of the establishment. In the midst of his usefulness he was stricken with the same disease that terminated his f.'s life, dying in Sept., 1891, much lamented by all who knew him. He was a man of commanding personal presence, gentlemanly address, and kindly disposition, upright and honorable in his character and conduct, large-hearted and generous in his private intercourse with his fellowmen and in his relations to the general public. His sudden death was a deeply felt loss to the town of Gr., which he was about to make his permanent home, as well as to his family and large circle of friends to whom he was especially dear. Mr. Morrill m. (1) Melissa M., dau. of Benjamin F. and Sarah (Comee) Heywood of Gr., who d. many years since, leaving 1 s., Frank H., dec'd 1884; and (2) Mary A. Thomas of N. Y., who, with 4 sons and 2 daus., survives him.

MORSE.

Among the passengers who came to this country in the ship *Increase*, which sailed April, 1635, was Samuel Morse¹, b. 1585, and his s., Joseph², then 20 yrs. of age. They tarried for a year or two at Watertown, the principal settlement in the Colony of Mass. Bay, and then joined a company formed for the purpose of founding a new "plantation" on the south side of Charles River, which was first called Contentment, but which the Gen. Ct. named Dedham. There the elder Mr. Morse, and prob. the s., located. Twelve years later, however, in 1649, he became one of the original proprietors of Medfield, building and occupying the first house that was destroyed by the Indians in the terrible raid and massacre of Feb. 21, 1675, which were said to have been planned by King Philip himself, who, mounted on a splendid charger, rode about the town directing the devastation. The farm thus early taken up was in 1850 owned by one of the descendants of Mr. Morse, and may be still. The s. spoken of m. Hannah Phillips, and was the successor of his f. on the original homestead. Their s., Jeremiah³, had Samuel⁴, b. 1694. He was a Capt. in the Colonial Militia, as was his s., Samuel⁵, who m. Catharine Clark and rem. to Hub., where he d. in 1789. A third Samuel⁶, s. of the last-named couple, m. Esther, dau. of Daniel Woodward of Newton, and had a large family of substantial, worthy chn. Of these was

1. MORSE, JAMES⁷, b. Hub., April 4, 1790, who m. Lucinda, dau. of Nicholas and Joanna (Baker) Dike, pub. April 19, 1817. They set. first at Royalston, going thence to Fitzwilliam, N. H., for a few years, but coming to W. in 1836, and locating upon the Asa Taylor place near No. Common, which had been purchased of Joel Davis, and which is still owned by their sons. Mr. Morse d. Aug. 10, 1858, a. 68. Mrs. Morse d. Sept. 5, 1887, a. 90. Chn.:

2. FARWELL⁸, b. Royalston, May 1, 1818; m. twice; res. W.
3. FRANCIS S.⁸, b. R., Jan. 23, 1821; m. Sarah Howe; res. W.
4. STILLMAN⁸, b. R., April 10, 1822; d. Dec. 7, 1849.
5. SEWALL⁸, b. R., Feb. 6, 1826; unm.; res. on old place.
6. LUCINDA⁸, b. R., Feb. 4, 1829; m. Moses H. Mirick; res. Pn.; no chn.
7. CAROLINA L.⁸, b. Fitzwilliam, Feb. 6, 1835; m. Geo. H. Adams; res. W.; 1 chd.; living Fg.

[2.] MORSE, FARWELL⁸, oldest s. of the last, set. on a part of his f's farm, building a house for himself and still occupying it. He is a quiet, unobtrusive, exemplary citizen, as are all the members of the family. He m. (1) Mary Ann., dau. Josiah and Betsey (Puffer) Wheeler, Jan. 28, 1845, who had 7 chn. and d. June 15, 1866, a. 42. He m. (2) Hattie A., dau. of Alexander and Louisa (Derby) Bigelow, June 16, 1869, who had 2 more. The names of all are:

8. HUBERT O.⁹, b. March 27, 1846; m. Hattie E. Jones; res. Taunton; 1 chd.
9. JAMES C.⁹, b. Nov. 25, 1848; m. Ellen Fullam; 1 chd.; d. Nov., 1877.
10. ELLEN M.⁹, b. Feb. 4, 1850; m. Lyman Raymond; res. Fg.
11. MYRON S.⁹, b. Sept. 9, 1852; unm.; res. Worc.
12. FRANK N.⁹, b. Sept. 4, 1855; m. Ellen Partridge; res. Worc.; a banker.
13. FRED T.⁹, b. Jan. 31, 1858; unm.; res. Los Angeles, Cal.
14. CARRIE A.⁹, b. July 31, 1861; m. John Fairbanks; res. Worc.
15. CHESTER B.⁹, b. May 11, 1870. 16. MARY W.⁹, b. Sept. 14, 1873.

[3.] MORSE, FRANCIS STEDMAN⁸, bro. of the last, m. Nov. 15, 1857, Sarah, dau. of Reuben and Hannah (Minott) Howe, and took up his abode in the cottage of his wife's mother on Bacon St., where he still res. He is a mechanic, but a paralytic shock a few yrs. since unfitted him for severe and continuous labor. Chd.:

17. EDWIN F.⁹, b. Jan. 31, 1861; d. Feb. 14, 1865.

MOSMAN.

This family is of ancient origin, having a pedigree reaching back to one Thomas Mosman, who lived in Scotland as long ago as 1426, in which year he was witness to a legal instrument still preserved in the archives of that world-renowned country. A descendant of his, gd.s. perhaps, lived in Glasgow, had a s. John who is said to have been incarcerated in the celebrated Tolbooth prison, Edinburgh, in the time of James V. (1513-1532), on account of his loyalty to the crown. Through the leniency of the warder he effected an escape, fleeing for safety to Holland, and taking with him a famous family clock, which within a few years has been recovered and brought to this country. This much-prized piece of mechanism was in possession of one of the numerous posterity of the notable fugitive, Mrs. G. T. C. Holden, recently of Hudson, dec'd, who had also many other relics or tokens of her somewhat illustrious ancestry beyond the sea. A son of this John, named James, was goldsmith to the distinguished, but unfortunate "Mary, Queen of Scots," and manufactured some of her choicest jewelry. For his unflinching fidelity to her and to her cause during the troubles she had with her unnatural cousin, Elizabeth of England, he, having been captured while engaged in defending one of the castles of his royal mistress, was hanged and afterward quartered, according to the brutal fashion of that brutal age. One of the descendants of this victim of English cruelty, the intervening links of the relationship not being known to the writer, though in possession, it is claimed, of certain members of the family, was John Mosman, b. in 1600,

who m. Isabel Gardner, and prepared the way for the transfer of the name to the domestic nomenclature of America.

James Mosman¹, s. of John and Isabel just mentioned, was b. July 9, 1626. He came to N. E. before 1667, in which year he is brought to notice as one of the first settlers of Wrentham. On account of trouble with the Indians. he withdrew to Roxbury in 1676, while the war with King Philip was going on, and there prob. remained through life. By his w., Anna, he had a s. Timothy², b. Nov. 17, 1679, who became a res. of Sudbury, and d. there Feb. 27, 1773, in the 94th yr. of his age. He m. July 27, 1701, Sarah, dau. of Samuel Hicks of Boston who rendered the colonial government service in some of the conflicts with the savage sons of the forest, and who, as a compensation therefor, received a grant of land in Dorchester Canada, now Ashburnham.—The late generations introduce an additional *s* into the name, to wit:—MOSSMAN.

[1] MOSMAN, TIMOTHY³, s. of Timothy² and Sarah (Hicks) Mosman, was b. Sudbury in 1709 or 1710. He m. Feb. 26, 1734-5 Martha Ann, dau. of William Whitney of Weston, and sr. of Samuel, an early inhabitant of Nar. No. 2. They lived in Sudbury a few years, but ab. 1740 rem. to Dorch. Can., set. upon and improving the grant of land made to his gd.father Hicks, just spoken of. Fear of the Indians caused them to abandon the locality ere many years passed by, and they are next found on what is called in the old records "the Plaisted farm" near the present village of E. Pn. There Mr. Mosman claimed to be engaged in the manufacture of potash, an important industry of those days. In 1751 he is said to be "of Sudbury" in a deed whereby Joseph and William Bowman, sometime resident in Nar. No. 2, convey house lots No. 16, the former Geo. Miles place, and No. 55, once known as the Bond place, to him and his heirs, for their sole use and behoof forever. It is believed that he occupied the former lot awhile, though he disposed of it to Benjamin Butterfield in the latter part of 1752. Lot 55 he sold 4 yrs. afterward, but there is no evidence that he ever res. upon it. Nothing of him is to be found in the records for a long time, during which he appears to have been in Pn. Subsequently he returned to W. with his wife, prob. to be with their sons who had located here, and here the remainder of their lives was spent. He d. Sept. 2, 1801, a. 91, and she April 15, the same year, a. 85. They lived together 66 years. They had chn. as given below. The dates of their birth are taken from the records. The places mentioned are somewhat uncertain.

2. ANNA⁴, b. Sudbury, Nov. 8, 1735; m. Peter Goodnow; res. Pn.

3. JOSHUA⁴, b. S., Jan. 16, 1738; m. wid. Sarah Barnard; taxed in town 1780.

4. SAMUEL⁴, b. S., Feb. 25, 1740; m. Anna Keyes; res. W.

5. MARTHA⁴, b. A., May 10, 1742; m. Reuben Parmenter; res. Pn.

6. TIMOTHY⁴, b. A., Feb. 26, 1745; nothing found; prob. d. young.

7. WILLIAM⁴, b. Pn., March 20, 1747; m. Sarah Nourse. [res. W.; no chn.]

8. ABEL⁴, b. Pn., Feb. 15, 1749; m. Abigail How and wid. Jonas Richardson, Gr.;

9. OLIVE⁴, b. W., Jan. 18, 1752; nothing known.

[4.] MOSMAN, SAMUEL⁴, s. of the last, m. Anna, dau. Robert Keyes, Pn., April 29, 1769. He first set. in that town, living

there ab. 8 yrs., when he rem. to W., purchasing of John Mead, Dec. 15, 1777, parts of lots 71 and 72, 2d Div., lying between No. Com. and Whitman's River valley and establishing himself there. The place had been built upon some years before by James How. It is still in the hands of the family. Samuel Mosman d. Dec. 29, 1828, a. 88. His wid., Anna, d. Sept. 22, 1840, a. 93. Chn.:

10. ABRAHAM⁵, b. Oct. 27, 1770; m. Achsah Seaver; res. W.
11. SAMUEL⁵, b. March 23, 1772; m. Betsey Brigham; res. W.
12. ASAPH⁵, b. Jan. 12, 1774; unm.; res. W.; d. June 26, 1847.
13. LUCY⁵, b. Dec. 16, 1775; unm.; res. W.; d. June 19, 1830.
14. EUNICE⁵, b. Nov. 20, 1778; m. Samuel Garfield; res. W.; 4 chn.
15. MARY⁵, b. Nov. 20, 1780; m. John Miles; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
16. ANNA⁵, b. April 3, 1782; m. Reuben Gates; res. Gr.; 6 chn.
17. PHEBE⁵, b. Oct. 31, 1785; m. Daniel Gates; res. W.; 7 chn.
18. MOSES⁵, b. Jan. 20, 1792; m. twice; 2 chn.; res. W.

[10.] MOSMAN, ABRAHAM⁵, s. of the last, m. Achsah, dau. of Benjamin and Martha Seaver, and after res. elsewhere awhile, set. on the place where his s. Silas now lives. A carpenter by trade, and an excellent workman. A man of intelligence and a great reader. He d. Sept. 30, 1847, a. 77. Achsah (Seaver) Mosman d. March 16, 1865, a. 80. Chn.:

19. ABEL⁶, b. July 31, 1803; d. unm. May 6, 1872. [1882-]
20. JOHN⁶, b. March 12, 1806; m. Susannah Pratt; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. March 2, 1810.
21. ABIGAIL H.⁶, b. Nov. 19, 1807; drowned Oct. 1, 1810.
22. DANIEL⁶, b. Dec. 30, 1809; m. Delana S. Davis; res. W.
23. ABIGAIL A.⁶, b. Feb. 19, 1812; m. Ezekiel Gates; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; d. April, 1882.
24. JAMES⁶, b. Nov. 7, 1813; m. Lydia Foskett, etc.; res. Orange; 5 chn.; d. March 31, 1888. [26, 1882.]
25. PHEBE⁶, b. Sept. 14, 1815; m. Charles How, Fg.; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Feb. 26, 1817; m. Ann B. Davis; res. W., etc.; 5 chn.
27. STEPHEN⁶, b. May 25, 1820; d. unm. March 9, 1867.
28. SILAS⁶, b. May 14, 1822; unm.; res. W.; living.
29. CHARLES⁶, b. Feb. 12, 1825; m. Salome Norris; res. W.

[11.] MOSMAN, SAMUEL⁵, bro. of the last, was pub. to Betsey Brigham of Alstead, N. H., Feb. 22, 1801. He lived for a time on the May place, near the Benton R. R. crossing, in north part of the town, but rem. thence to Scrabble Hollow, res. in a small ho. near the Lombard Mill, afterwards burned. He was an ingenious, skillful mechanic, and was engaged in the manufacture of wooden ware, also in the machinist business to some extent. He d. Jan. 1, 1852, a. 79. His w. d. April 24, 1851, a. 77. Chn.:

30. MARY⁶, b. May 27, 1801; m. Elisha Hyde; res. Winch.; no chn.; dec'd.
31. JONAS K.⁶, b. Dec. 20, 1803; m. Elmira Reynolds; res. N. Y. State.
32. SAMUEL⁶, b. June 10, 1805; went to N. Y. State and d. there.
33. TYLER⁶, b. April 14, 1807; lived and d. Leom.
34. SALLY B.⁶, b. March 5, 1809; m. John Hyde; res. Winch.; 6 chn.; dec'd.
35. JOEL⁶, b. Jan. 18, 1811; m.; res. Marlboro'; no chn.; d. 1892. [1850.]
36. CHARLES⁶, b. Jan. 31, 1813; m. Ruth Fisher; res. W.; no chn.; d. April 18, 1850.
37. CAROLINE⁶, b. Jan. 16, 1815; m. Wm. Mansur; res. Stow.

No one of the above family, except Charles⁶ (36), who was deaf and a very ingenious mechanic, res. permanently in W. Sally B. m. John Hyde of Winch., a descendant of Jonathan (b. London, 1626, and set. Newton, 1647), and had 6 chn., among whom was Henry B., b. Sept. 21, 1842, who studied theology and became a Cong. Trin. clergyman of acknowledged ability and standing; now set. at Greenfield.

[18.] MOSMAN, MOSES⁵, youngest s. of Samuel⁴ and Anna (Keyes), m. (1) 1814, Dolly Gray of Fg., and had 2 chn. She d. Sept. 8, 1825, and he m. (2) Alice Rider of Fg., Jan. 18, 1829. He res. on the Dickinson place near his f.'s in 1819. He rem. to Fg., where he d., July 9, 1829, and his wid. m. (2) Asaph Gates. Chn.:

38. SUSAN⁶, b. Jan. 21, 1815; m. John Stimson; res. Swampscot; 3 chn.

39. AUSTIN⁶, b. Aug. 24, 1818; m. Sarah S. Wiggins; res. Swampscot; 1 chd.

[20.] MOSMAN, JOHN⁶, s. of Abraham⁵ and Achsah (Seaver) Mosman, m. Susannah, dau. of Aaron and Betsey (Warner) Pratt of Gr., April 14, 1835. He built and occupied the small house near his f.'s, and worked at his trade of coopering. He d. March 2, 1882, a. 77. His wid., Susannah, d. Feb. 16, 1890, a. 81. Their chn. were:

40. AUSTIN⁷, b. Aug. 26, 1836; m. Clara A. Oakes; res. Craftsbury, Vt.; 1 chd.; 1.

41. GEORGE W.⁷, b. Jan. 24, 1845; lives W.; unm. at date.

42. JEROME⁷, b. May 15, 1846; m. Helen Smith; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; living.

43. WALDO⁷, b. April 23, 1848; m. Ellen Owen; res. Barton, Vt.; 1 chd.; living.

[22.] MOSMAN, DANIEL⁶, bro. of the last, m. Oct. 28, 1852, wid. Delana S. Sylvester, dau. of Abel and Cynthia (Sylvester) Davis of Winchester, N. H., and set. on the original Samuel Mosman (4) place, which has been the home of five generations of the family. Mrs. M. had 2 chn. by her first husband, Merritt Sylvester:—Henrietta D., who m. Wm., s. of Samuel Barnes of Fg., and Lowell M., who was accidentally shot while hunting, Oct. 14, 1871. Mr. M. d. March 18, 1889, a. 79. Mrs. M. is still living, and to her the writer is indebted for many of the facts herein recorded. Chd.:

44. HENRY W.⁷, b. July 28, 1854; m. Nellie A. Rice; res. Worc.; 4 chn.

His tastes inclining him to musical pursuits, he studied under the well-known Prof. Petersilia of Boston, and is a skillful and competent teacher in Worcester, where he res., and vicinity. He has adopted the modern orthography, *Mosman*.

[26.] MOSMAN, BENJAMIN S.⁶, bro. of the last, m. May 12, 1842, ANN B., dau. of Abel and Cynthia (Sylvester) Davis of Winchester, N. H., sr. of Daniel's w., and after res. in W. many years, rem. to New Ipswich, N. H., and thence to Barton, Vt., where they now live. Has been successfully connected with the chair-making industry, and held many offices of trust. Chn.:

45. ORANGE B.⁷, b. Feb. 12, 1843; d. Nov. 25, 1846.

46. ANN JANETTE⁷, b. June 16, 1847; d. Oct. 8, 1848.

47. JANETTE A.⁷, b. March 9, 1850; m. D. G. Whitney; res. Cal.; 4 chn.; living.

48. ORANGE H.⁷, b. July 3, 1852; m. Lois M. Baxter; res. Barton, Vt.; 3 chn.; 1.

49. CORA BELL⁷, b. March 15, 1864; d. July 19, 1880.

[29.] MOSMAN, CHARLES⁶, youngest bro. of the last, m. Salome, dau. of Jonathan and Lucinda (Cross) Norris of Craftsbury, Vt., Feb. 6, 1862, and located on the Dr. Shumway place, three-fourths of a mile north of the central village. He is a farmer by occupation. They have had but one chd.:

50. FREDERICK W.⁷, b. March 14, 1865; m. April 15, 1892, Mary Stella, dau. of Franklin and Eunice (Whitney) Lombard. A grad. of Mass. Ag. Coll., 1890. Is a member of the W. Sch. Com. He spells his name *Mossman*.

51. MOSMAN, MATTHIAS⁴, s. of James³ and Elizabeth (Balcorn) Mosman of Sudbury, was b. March 17, 1749. His f., without much doubt, was bro. of Timothy³ (7), the first of the name in W., and if so, s. of Timothy² and Sarah (Hicks), and g.d.s. of James¹, the immigrant ancestor of those already noticed. That Timothy³ (1) had a bro. James³ appears from the Middlesex Co. records, which state that "Timothy, Jr., George, Ebenezer, and John, quitclaimed all their right in the estate of their mother, Sarah Hicks, to bro. James" in 1740; also the previous year "all right to the estate of bro. Samuel, who d. in the service." In this register Matthias is placed in the fourth generation of the Am. family, as the numerals indicate. He was a man apparently of superior natural ability, improved by culture and experience. By occupation he was a land surveyor, in which capacity he had a wide reputation and extensive practice. He came to this town near the beginning of the present century and remained for sev. years, residing at first on the Totttingham place, Whitman River valley, but afterward at the Lynde place on Bragg Hill. While here he was employed to resurvey and establish bounds to all the roads of the town,—a commission the duties of which he discharged with singular care, fidelity, and dispatch, as the records testify. He left here ab. 1808, taking up his residence in Ash., where he passed the remainder of his life.

Mr. Mosman was a profoundly religious man, and in his later years thought and wrote much upon theological subjects and matters pertaining thereto. Many of his papers thus prepared are kept by certain of his descendants, partly as mementos of him, and partly on account of the peculiar views and theories which they embody and inculcate. Matthias Mosman m. Sarah, dau. of Aaron and Rebecca Haines of Sudbury, Nov. 7, 1773, and had 12 chn. b. before coming to this town, though no doubt most if not all of them res. here for a time, some of them permanently. Mr. Mosman d. in Ash., Nov. 8, 1819, a. 70. His w. d. in W., Sept. 29, 1808. Chn.:

52. MICAH⁵, b. Marlboro', July 8, 1774; d. Sept. 17, 1775.
 53. MARK⁵, b. Sudbury, Sept. 3, 1775; m. Lois Gibson; res. Vt.; had chn.; d. May 22, 1858. [1859.
 54. BETSEY⁵, b. June 6, 1777; m. Hayman Wheeler; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. May 11, [1875.
 55. BEULAH⁵, b. Oct. 13, 1779; m. Thomas Carr; chn.; d. July 21, 1824.
 56. REBECCA⁵, b. April 20, 1782; m. Levi Wilson and — Gilbert; res. W. and Brookfield; d. March 5, 1864.
 57. JOHN⁵, b. Oct. 26, 1784; m. Copia Ward; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. June 12, 1841.
 58. DIADAMA⁵, b. April 19, 1787; m. Silas Ward; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 7, 1879, a. 92.
 59. TYLER⁵, b. April 8, 1790; d. April 22, 1790. [1875.
 60. LUCINDA⁵, b. Ash., Sept. 13, 1794; m. John Boynton; res. Fg.; d. March 27, [1875.
 61. LEONARD⁵, b. Ash., March 12, 1797; d. W., July 26, 1808.
 62. ELIAS⁵, b. W., date unkn.; nothing learned.
 63. SALLY⁵, b. W., date unkn.; is said to have d. 1808.

[57.] MOSMAN, JOHN⁶, s. of the last, m. Copia, dau. of John and Copiah (Rice) Ward, and set. on the place in the north part of the town, where Joseph S. Woodward recently resided, the dwelling house of which he built for his own use. He bargained it to Asa Wheeler in 1819, and thereafter lived in or near Scrabble Hollow, where for some years he worked at chair making, a part of the time in company with Walter V. Carr. He d. June 12, 1841, a. 56. She d. Nov. 7, 1879, a. 92. Chn.:

64. LEONARD⁶, b. Sept. 15, 1810; m. three times; res. W. and Ash.; 1 son; d. Sept. 28, 1878.

65. AARON⁶, b. Nov. 21, 1811; m. Martha Ball.

66. JOHN W.⁶, b. Sept. 26, 1813; m. Mary E. Libbey.

67. LUCINDA⁶, b. March 8, 1816; m. Joseph S. Woodward; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. May 10, 1842.

68. DOROTHY⁶, b. Sept. 29, 1822; m. Jonathan Hapgood.

69. MOSSMAN, ALVARO E., a native of California according to the records, is the present practicing physician of the town. He came here in 1884, and, since the decease of Dr. Shepard in 1886, has been the only master of the healing art in the place. By his w., Mary, he has had 2 chn.:

70. WILLARD, b. Feb. 26, 1885.

71. —, b. Nov. 16, 1889.

MUDGE.

Thomas Mudge¹ was b. in England ab. 1624, and, migrating to this country, was a res. of Malden in 1657. His s., John², was a Nar. soldier, belonging to a company from Dedham, where he perhaps lived. By his w., Ruth, he had John³, a Dea. in the chh., the f. of Joseph⁴, whose home was in Malden.

1. MUDGE, JOSEPH⁵, s. of the last, was b. in the town named, Feb. 26, 1753. In his youth he taught school for several years, and upon the breaking out of the Rev. War enlisted in the army as a drummer, serving in several regiments and acquiring the title of *cornet*. On the 23d of Oct., 1783, he m. Lois, dau. of Oliver and Sybil Pratt of Newton, and set. in Needham, where he formerly had been engaged in teaching. He served as Dept. Sheriff of Norfolk Co., 1786-1793, his res. prob. being in Dedham. He came to W. near the opening of the present century, purchasing land of Jarvis Pierce in 1804, and building upon it the house now owned by the wid. of Joseph Woodbury. He is said to have been a wheelwright by trade, but one part of his dwelling was fitted up for a store, in which business was carried on for some years, managed, however, chiefly by his w. and dau. It is reported that the manufacture of straw braid in town was started under their auspices. The dau., Sybil, was one of the public school teachers in her day. Mr. Mudge d. Nov. 9, 1822, a. 69. Mrs. Mudge d. Jan. 30, 1831, a. 66. Chn.:

2. JOSEPH⁶, b. Jan. 24, 1785; m. Sarah Fenno; 6 chn.; res. W., etc.

3. SYBIL⁶, b. Feb. 1, 1787; m. Col. A. B. Doolittle; res. Winchester, N. H.; 1 chd.; d. Nov. 8, 1836.

4. JOHN G.⁶, b. Jan. 1, 1791; m. twice; res. Winchester, N. H., etc.; 4 chn.



[2.] MUDGE, JOSEPH⁶, eldest s. of the last, m. Sarah, dau. of Samuel and Hannah Fenno of Boston, Sept. 4, 1814. He set. in Dedham, where he was first engaged in harness making, but afterwards was employed as overseer in a factory. He went from Dedham to Philadelphia, Pa., rem. thence in 1816 to this town, presumably to care for his parents in their declining years. He is supposed to have taken the store into his own hands and to have run it some 12 or more years. In 1829 he sold to George Adams, and went to some town in N. H., and afterwards to Cohoes, N. Y., where he engaged in the manufacture of needles for a knitting factory. He had the reputation of being "a man of superior ability, well educated, able to speak several languages." He d. at Cohoes, Nov. 27, 1841, a. 56. Date of his w.'s death unkn. Chn.:

5. JOSEPH E.⁷, b. P., June 1, 1815; an eccentric bachelor; res. Memphis, Tenn.; d. Aug., 1845.
6. ISABELLE M.⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1818; m. E. G. Muzzey; res. Winchester, N. H.; 1 chd.; d. March 31, 1844.
7. EDWARD D.⁷, b. W., Feb. 15, 1821; m. Albina White; res. unkn.; no chn.; d. Jan. 25, 1850.
8. CAROLINE A. S.⁷, b. W., Feb. 21, 1823; m. E. G. Muzzey, 2d w.; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 21, 1846.
9. HESTER A. R.⁷, b. W., May 27, 1827; d. May 27, 1829.
10. MARIA J.⁷, b. June, 1831; d. Aug., 1832.

John Green Mudge⁶ (4), bro. of the last, m. (1) Sarah, dau. of Walter Field of Northfield, and set. in Winchester, N. H., where he was a prominent, active, and influential business man. His first w. d., and he m. (2) Mary Mattoon, also of Northfield. He had 4 chn., 3 of whom d. young. The other, John Green Mudge, b. March 6, 1823, m. Eliza A. Witherell of Petersham, where he afterwards located, becoming a leading citizen of the town. He was a man of ability, culture, and character, holding many public offices, rendering important service during the war of the Rebellion in raising and forwarding troops, and in numerous ways proving himself a trustworthy, patriotic citizen. A pronounced Unitarian, he took an active part in the chh. of that faith in P. He served both as Rep. and Senator in the Mass. Leg. He had 3 chn., a son and 2 daus., who live in Boston or vicinity. He d. at a recent date.

I. MUNJOY, DANIEL, s. of — Munjoy and Rebecca Stokes, was b. at Charlestown, prob. in 1734, coming to Nar. No. 2 when ab. 4 yrs. of age with Philip Bemis, of whose family he seems to have been a recognized and permanent member. Soon after he became "of age," Sept. 20, 1765, he bought of his foster bro., Philip Bemis, Jr., lot No. 119 with a sawmill upon it—the prototype of the so-called Raymond Mill—and the adjoining lot northward, No. 56, on which was a house and barn. (See A. H. No. 42.) In Feb. of the following year he m. Kate, dau. of Samuel Randall of Stow, by whom he had 2 chn. Two years later he sold the mill lot, and in Dec., 1769, the homestead bef. mentioned, on which he had presumably res. Not long after, he left the place for parts unknown, and was not heard of for many years. He is understood to have been a soldier in the Revolution, though his place of enlistment, time of service, etc., have not been ascertained. Somewhere in the 90's he returned,

and, having obtained a divorce from his w., or otherwise secured a release from his former marital obligations, was pub. to Keziah, dau. of Thomas and Lydia (Pierce) Dunster, April 3, 1797. After the announcement of the intended marriage, made by the Town Clerk at the close of the regular Sunday service, as the custom then was, the former w., who was in the congregation, rose and forbade the banns. This act, however, was without effect, inasmuch as the parties concerned were formally united as proposed, shortly afterward. They lived for a while at the Dunster place, now occupied by Elmer Baker, but subsequently located on the cross road leading from the old red schoolhouse site to Wachusettville. (See A. H. No. 49.)

Mr. Munjoy is believed to have attained the great age of one hundred years. There was much that was singular in his life history, which, if it could be written out in full, would make a volume of considerable size, and of unusual interest. One striking feature of it is worthy of portrayal here. His gd.f., Benjamin Stokes, was a wealthy citizen of Charlestown, owning lands and houses there, and a tidemill, the site of which, easily recognizable, was visited by the writer a few years since. In Feb., 1749-50 he made a will, giving one-third of his property to his w., and the remainder to his dau., Rebecca, evidently his only child. When he d., a few years later, his estate was appraised at ab. seventeen thousand pounds. In 1787, before which date Rebecca seems to have dec'd, the executors, who held and managed the property through the intervening years, rendered an account to the Prob. Ct., according to which there was still remaining a balance of £15,744, 18s., 10d., which presumably belonged to Mr. Munjoy, the s. and prob. only chd. of Rebecca Stokes. Eight yrs. afterward, Dec. 23, 1795, the following advertisement appeared in the *Mass. Spy*, published then as now at Worcester, to wit:—"If a Mr. Munjoy, born in Charlestown, near Boston, and is supposed to reside in Worcester County, will apply to Samuel Brazer, he may hear of something to his advantage." There can be little doubt that this request related to the above mentioned property, Mr. M.'s rightful inheritance. But it seemed to have escaped his eye and that of his friends, and nothing as a consequence came of it. Many yrs. afterward rumors of this property reached the parties interested, and efforts were made by them to secure it. For some unknown reason those efforts proved unavailing, and nothing was ever realized from it. During a part of the later years of his life, Mr. Munjoy assumed the name of Daniel Butterfield, which may account in a measure for his failure in attempting to obtain the fortune he so much needed, and also the pension for services in the Revolutionary War, which he claimed was his due. He d. July 31, 1834, a. 100 (?). Kate (Randall) Munjoy d. July 28, 1818, a. 82. Keziah (Dunster) Munjoy d. Feb. 25, 1836, a. 64. Chn.:

2. EPHRAIM, b. prob. 1767; m. and res. W.; no chn.; suicided.
3. RICHARD, b. prob. 1769; nothing further found; prob. d. young.
4. CHARLOTTE, b. July 19, 1797; m. Asher B. Cutter.
5. LUCINDA, b. Dec. 1, 1801; m. Lafayette Willard; res. W.; d. Nov. 18, 1852.
6. BENJAMIN, b. June 26, 1804; m. Dolly Perry; res. W. (See Benjamin Blake.)
7. ELIZA, b. Aug. 9, 1806; prob. d. 1811.
8. MALINDA, b. Feb. 26, 1809; m. Miles Wood; res. Northboro'; 7 chn.; dec'd.
9. MARTHA W., b. Oct. 17, 1813; } twins; { m. Miles Wood, 2d w.; no chn.; l.
10. GEORGE W., b. Oct. 17, 1813; } twins; { m. Catharine P. Merrifield.

[10.] MUNJOY, GEORGE WASHINGTON, s. of Daniel and Keziah, was pub. to Catharine P. Merrifield, W. Boylston, Jan. 28, 1839. They res. in W., Fg., and elsewhere, and had 7 chn., 4 of whom d. at W. of malignant dysentery, in a single week. The record of the family here given is incomplete and somewhat uncertain, as indicated. Deaths of parents not ascertained. Chn.:

11. HARRIET B., b. April 4, 1840; d. Oct. 7, 1852.
12. HENRIETTA, b. 1842?; m. Benjamin Bartlett; res. Boston.
13. HENRY D., b. June, 1844?; d. Oct. 14, 1852.
14. CHARLES, b. 1846?; d. in the war.
15. HORACE, b. Dec. 23, 1848; d. Oct. 9, 1852.
16. HERBERT, b. July 30, 1850; d. Oct. 11, 1852.
17. HERBERT, b. at unkn. date; m. and res. Boston.

MUNROE.

This family is of ancient Scotch descent, dating back as far as the 11th century, when members of it appear as soldiers in the army of Malcolm II., who, at that early day, expelled the invading Danes from the kingdom. A long list of barons bearing the name is to be found in the heraldic annals of that country. In the time of the Reformation the Munroes were the steadfast friends of civil and religious liberty.

The first of the name in N. E., as far as known, was William Munroe¹, a descendant of one of the Highland clans of Scotland, b. in 1625. He came to these shores in 1652, and set. in that part of Camb. which is now Lexington. He was a Selectman of the town, and held important offices in the parish established at "The Farms," as the locality was then called. His s., Lieut. John², by his w., Hannah, had Jonas³, the f. of Ebenezer⁴, b. April 29, 1752, who was in the battle of Lex., April 19, 1775, under Capt. Parker, and claimed to have fired the first gun in the Revolutionary conflict. He m. May 10, 1781, Lucy Simonds, and soon after settled in Ash., where he d. May 25, 1825.

I. MUNROE, EBENEZER⁵, s. of Ebenezer⁴ and Lucy, was b. at Ash., Feb. 25, 1785. He m. Mary Sargent of Winch., and by her had 12 chn., most of whom were b. in A., where the greater part of his life was spent. July 21, 1832, he bought of Edward Kendall and Nathan Corey a small farm on the E. side of the road between the No. Com. and Scrabble Hollow, which he occupied till his d., July 31, 1844. This was the Francis Barnes place, and the house, standing just below the R. R. crossing, was finally destroyed by fire. Mrs. Mary (Sargent) Munroe d. at Fg., Sept. 7, 1852, a. 62. The chn. of Ebenezer⁵ and Mary were:

2. EBENEZER L.⁶, b. July 3, 1809; d. July 25, 1857.
3. SAMUEL A.⁶, b. Sept. 13, 1810; d. Sept. 23, 1876.
4. MARY S.⁶, b. July 5, 1812; d. W., March 17, 1834.
5. EMELINE A.⁶, b. March 27, 1814; m. Charles Smith; res. W.
6. CHARLES H.⁶, b. May 3, 1816; res. Temp.
7. LOUISA M.⁶, b. Feb. 2, 1818; d. Sept. 26, 1838.
8. JOSEPH W.⁶, b. April 17, 1820; res. Cal.; dec'd.
9. GEORGE A.⁶, b. May 24, 1823; a physician in St. Louis and Indian Ter.
10. LORENZO V.⁶, b. Jan. 29, 1825.
11. JOHN M.⁶, b. March 10, 1828.
12. FRANCIS A.⁶, b. July 1, 1833.
13. LEANDER V.⁶, b. Dec. 1, 1834; d. July 25, 1858.

14. MUNROE, JOHN⁵, bro. of the last, was b. Oct. 4, 1793, and m. May 6, 1819, Sophia, dau. of Thomas and Relief Gibson of Ash. He came to W. and carried on the business of manufacturing chairs for a time with Ebenezer. He is said to have rem. hence to Cleveland, N. Y. Prob. both d. many yrs. since. Chn.:

15. ORISON J.⁶, b. Oct. 28, 1819; m. Ann E. Newton.
16. SOPHIA H.⁶, b. March 27, 1821; m. Winchester Wyman.
17. PORTER⁶, b. May 23, 1826; m. Harriet Maynard; res. Vt.; d. Oct. 30, 1880.
18. SOPHRONIA L.⁶, b. June 4, 1831.

MURDOCK.

The first person bearing this name in New England, so far as ascertained, was Robert¹ of Roxbury, who m. Hannah Stedman, April 29, 1692. They had a son, Robert², the father of Joshua³, a resident of Newton, whose wife was Esther Child.

I. MURDOCK, WILLIAM⁴, s. of the last named, was b. Jan. 14, 1748. On the 18th Sept., 1773, he purchased of Amos Conant of this town, lot No. 46, 2d Div., on which Dea. John P. Roper now res., and soon after took possession of the same. In 1775 he m. Achsah, dau. of Dea. John and Hannah (Greenwood) Woodward of Newton, a sister of the wife of Edward Bacon already located on the adjoining farmstead. He d. suddenly while milking, May 27, 1817, a. 69. His w., Achsah, d. Feb. 7, 1806, a. 55. Chn.:

2. ARTEMAS⁵, b. Sept. 6, 1776; m. Keziah Clark; res. W. Boylston; 9 chn.; d. 1855.
3. JOHN⁵, b. Oct. 3, 1778; m. twice; res. W.
4. JOSHUA⁵, b. Oct. 28, 1780; m. Clarissa Hartshorn; res. W. Boylston; 5 chn.
5. HANNAH⁵, b. Feb. 4, 1783; m. Stephen Dole; res. Fg.
6. LYDIA⁵, b. Aug. 30, 1785; m. Luther Clifford; res. Hub.
7. LUCY⁵, b. Oct. 25, 1787.
8. ANNA⁵, b. Oct. 19, 1790; m. Elijah F. Woodward; res. Newton; 7 chn.
9. SAMUEL⁵, b. Aug. 21, 1792.
10. CATA⁵, b. Feb. 20, 1796.

[3.] MURDOCK, JOHN⁵, s. of the last, was an exemplary citizen and Dea. of the First Cong. Chh., 1828-1848. He m. (1) Joanna, dau. Jonathan Clifford of Southboro', July 1, 1804, who bore him 7 chn. and d. March 5, 1820, a. 37. On the 15th of May, 1821, he took for a second wife Sally Keyes of Pn., by whom he had 3 more. He passed away Oct. 19, 1848, a. 70. After his decease his wid. removed to the South to live with her son

Artemas and thence to Chicago, where she d. some years since. Chn.:

11. BETSEY C.⁶, b. July 17, 1805; m. Lawson Rice; res. Lawrence; 3 chn.; dec'd.
12. JOHN F.⁶, b. Aug. 2, 1807; d. Jan. 10, 1810.
13. J. FRANKLIN⁶, b. Oct. 28, 1810; res. W. and Lowell; m. three times; sev. chn.; living.
14. WILLIAM⁶, b. Feb. 7, 1813; { twins; } d. Feb. 8, 1813.
15. ACHSAH⁶, b. Feb. 7, 1813; { twins; } d. Feb. 24, 1813.
16. JOANNA⁶, b. June 17, 1815; d. June 25, 1817.
17. LUCY W.⁶, b. June 3, 1819; d. June 4, 1819.
18. SARAH J.⁶, b. Oct. 14, 1824; m. Alvin W. Osborne, and had chn.; res. W., etc.
19. ARTEMAS W.⁶, b. Dec. 15, 1828; went South and had fam.; d. Chicago.
20. CATHARINE M.⁶, b. June 22, 1834; no report received.

[13.] MURDOCK, JOHN FRANKLIN⁶, s. of the last, b. Oct. 28, 1810, m. (1) Lucena, dau. of Asa and Lucena (Puffer) Merriam, Dec. —, 1830, by whom he had 1 child. She d. Jan. 2, 1840, a. 30, and he m. (2), the following Sept., Mary M. Bowker of Fitch., who d. without issue April 21, 1841, a. 30. A few months later he m. (3) Harriet N. Bowker, sr. of his second wife, by whom he is sup. to have had other chn. He left tn. many yrs. since and located in Lawrence. His first chd. was:

21. HARRIET⁷, b. W. at date unkn., and res. Worc., unm.

I. NEWELL, AUGUSTUS W., s. of Lyman and Rachel, was b. at Mason, N. H., Aug. 29, 1846. He m. Oct. 20, 1873, Abbie F., dau. Isaac Newell Smith, and set. in the Whitman River valley where he now res. Chn.:

2. FREDERICK I., b. June 18, 1874.
3. GEORGETTE, b. Dec. 30, 1875.
4. WILLIAM A., b. Oct. 17, 1877; d. Feb. 5, 1891.
5. MARY I., b. Nov. 29, 1880.
6. NINA, b. Feb. 5, 1884.
7. LESLIE A., b. May 25, 1889; d. Oct. 24, 1890.

NEWTON.

Richard Newton¹, the immigrant ancestor of those bearing this name in W., was in Sudbury as early as 1640, where he was made "freeman" five years afterward. He rem. thence to Marlboro', of which place he was one of the early settlers, locating on territory now included within the limits of South-boro'. His son, Daniel², was f. of Nathaniel³, of whom was the following, to wit:

I. NEWTON, RICHARD⁴, s. of the last named, b. May 27, 1722, in S., m. Jan. 22, 1743, Martha Pike of Framingham. He lived in his native town for some years but bought, March 23, 1757, lot No. 14, 2d Div., lying west of the well known Bigelow farm, on which he built a house and made a home. (See A. H. No. 69.) His w., Martha, d. Jan. 18, 1767, and before the end of the year he was pub. to Mary Flagg of Marlboro'. The date of his own death is unknown, but it occurred before 1773, in which year his homestead was sold by the administrator of his estate, Daniel Hoar. He prob. had no chn., none being named in the distribution of his property. He was chosen "Sealer of Leather" at the first meeting of the District of Westminster.

2. NEWTON, TIMOTHY⁶, a descendant of the same ancestral head as the last named, was s. of Timothy⁵ and Huldah (Wheelock) Newton of Hub., b. July 5, 1771. His father owned lands in the place at an early date, and was sometimes taxed here, though he was prob. only a transient resident. He was a native of Shrewsbury, s. of Elisha⁴ and Sarah (Tomlin) Newton, b. May 17, 1737. Elisha⁴ was s. of Moses³ of Marlboro', who was s. of Moses², a s. of the first Richard.

Timothy Newton⁶, bought 3d and 4th Div. lots of Benjamin Richardson, Sterling, Sept. 24, 1796, the estate of his s. Joel⁷, lately dec'd, and made the first improvements on it, building a house and otherwise fitting it for a home. He m. Nov. 9, 1800, Phebe How, and had a large family. He d. July 29, 1842, a. 71. She. d. June 12, 1844, a. 71. Chn.:

3. JOEL⁷, b. Jan. 20, 1802; } twins; { d. Aug. 1, 1818.
4. SALLY⁷, b. Jan. 20, 1802; } twins; { d. Sept. 8, 1802.
5. TIMOTHY⁷, b. Nov. 13, 1803; m. Mary Cobleigh; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. Sept. 2, 1883.
6. POLLY⁷, b. Nov. 21, 1805; m. Samuel Warren; res. Hub.; 7 chn.; d. Oct 17, 1875.
7. ELIZA⁷, b. Dec. 3, 1807; m. Stephen Sawin; res. Ashby; no chn.; d. June 2, 1838.
8. RUFUS⁷, b. May 8, 1810; m. Rebecca Willard; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; d. March 29, 1859.
9. REUBEN⁷, b. May 8, 1810; m. Wealthy Gates; res. Northfield; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 12, 1863.
10. SALLY⁷, b. Nov. 4, 1812; d. Oct. 3, 1833.
11. LUCY⁷, b. Dec. 17, 1814; m. Joel Baker; res. Temp.; 9 chn.
12. AUGUSTA⁷, b. April 11, 1817; } twins; { d. July 15, 1835.
13. AUGUSTUS⁷, b. April 11, 1817; } twins; { m. Mary Mitchell; res. Indiana; 3 chn.
14. PHEBE⁷, b. April 11, 1819; d. Dec. 7, 1819.
15. JOEL⁷, b. Feb. 11, 1821; m. Maria Sawin; res. W.

[15.] NEWTON, JOEL⁷, youngest s. of the last, and the only one of the family who set. in W., remained on the homestead, which he occupied and cultivated through life. He m. March —, 1842, Maria, dau. of James and Eunice (Hyde) Sawin. They had a large and interesting family. Several of the daughters have exhibited marked literary abilities, and have made an honorable record for themselves as teachers and in other spheres of useful service. Mr. Newton d. Oct. 27, 1891, a. 70. His wid. is living. Their chn are:

16. TIMOTHY⁸, b. March 8, 1843; d. March 21, 1843.
17. ABBY B.⁸, b. Aug. 6, 1844; m. Charles W. Griffin; res. Worc., etc.; 2 chn.; 1.
18. ALONZO C.⁸, b. July 21, 1846; m. Etta Upton; res. Gr.; no chn.
19. MARCUS M.⁸, b. Feb. 8, 1848; m. Mattie Priest and Lizzie White; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
20. EMMA A.⁸, b. March 23, 1850.
21. SUSAN A.⁸, b. Aug. 19, 1852; d. Jan. 8, 1862.
22. LIZZIE M.⁸, b. April 21, 1854; m. Henry K. Trask; res. New Haven, Conn.; no chn.
23. MATTIE L.⁸, b. March 11, 1856; d. Oct. 28, 1857.
24. FRANK W.⁸, b. Jan. 23, 1859; m. Susy A. Cary; res. Gr.; 1 chd.
25. LULA M.⁸, b. Feb. 1, 1861.
26. AUGUSTUS⁸, b. Oct. 19, 1863; } twins; { d. the same day.
27. AUGUSTINE⁸, b. Oct. 19, 1863; } twins; { d. the same day.
28. EDITH G.⁸, b. March 8, 1869.

NICHOLS.

The immigrant head of the Nichols family in this part of the country is supposed to have been Richard¹, an early settler of Ipswich (Agawam), who rem. after a few years to Reading, where he became a permanent resident. By his w., Annis, he had Jonas², the f. of Jonathan³, whose s., Benjamin⁴, m. Mary⁵, of parentage unknown. Of this union came the first of the name who located within the limits of the present town of W. A second cousin, David⁶, had previously taken up his abode in the section set off to form Gr. in 1785, as noted on a subsequent page.

I. NICHOLS, BENJAMIN⁵, s. of Benjamin⁴ and Mary of Reading, was b. in 1754. He m. Rebecca, dau. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Temple) Bancroft of R., in 1779, and soon after came to this town, locating in the Minott neighborhood, on the place now owned by John Scott. He d. Nov. 22, 1818, a. 64. Date of d. of w. unk. Chn.:

2. BENJAMIN⁶, b. prob. 1780; went to Me., m., and had chn.
3. EDMUND⁶, b. April 25, 1782; m. twice; res. W.
4. HANNAH⁶, b. May 11, 1784; m. Samuel Spencer of Boston.
5. WILLIAM⁶, b. March 7, 1786; unm.; drowned at sea.
6. BETSEY⁶, b. Nov. 22, 1788; prob. d. 1800.
7. REBECCA⁶, b. April 1, 1791; m. Oliver Whitney and moved to Vt.
8. SUSANNAH⁶, b. Aug. 19, 1793; prob. d. 1800.
9. SALLY⁶; birth not recorded; m. Martin Dunster; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. July 2, 1845.

[3.] NICHOLS, EDMUND⁶, s. of the last, remained with his f. and succeeded to the homestead. He m. (1) Dorcas, dau. of Joshua and Vashti (Knight) Whitney of Gr., Oct. 31, 1808, who, after giving birth to two chn., d. June 1, 1812, a. 24. He was m. (2) to Betsey, dau. of John and Lucy Adams, June 17, 1813. He d. Nov. 7, 1839, a. 57. His second wife d. at a date unknown. He had, in all, 9 chn.:

10. JOEL⁷, b. Oct. 22, 1809; m. and res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.
11. BETSEY⁷, b. July 12, 1811; m. twice and has had 4 chn.; living.
12. HASKELL⁷, b. Jan. 17, 1815; m. Mary —; res. W., etc.; dec'd.
13. DORCAS⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1817; m. Benjamin Nichols and Lyman Hale; res. Royalston; no chn.; living.
14. SUSAN⁷, b. May 4, 1820; m. Joseph Woodbury; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
15. HARRIET⁷, b. May 24, 1822; m. — Kilburn; res. Winch.; 2 chn.; living.
16. Unnamed⁷, b. April 29, 1824; d. April 30, 1824.
17. CHESTER⁷, b. Aug. 24, 1825; m. and lived Keene; 5 chn.; d. 1891.
18. WILLIAM⁷, b. Oct. 16, 1827; m. Hannah Baker; res. W.
19. MARTHA⁷, b. Dec. 24, 1829; m. Oliver M. Merriam; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 11, 1880.
20. JANE⁷, b. Nov. 29, 1832; d. Jan. 30, 1847, a. 14.

[12.] NICHOLS, HASKELL⁷, s. of the last, m. Mary —, and after res. in town a few years and having 2 chn., rem. to N. Y. State, where he d. not long afterward. Chn.:

21. JOSEPH SHEPHERD⁸, b. Sept. 24, 1844.
22. Daughter⁸, b. March 6, 1846.

[18.] NICHOLS, WILLIAM⁷, bro. of the last, m. Sept. 18, 1851, Hannah, dau. of Elmer and Lucinda (Conant) Baker, and set. near Wachusett Lake. Chn.:

23. JANE E.⁸, b. April 7, 1853; d. Oct. 31, 1854.
 24. HENRY E.⁸, b. April 23, 1855; m. Nettie A. Underwood; res. W.; 2 chn.
 25. EMILY J.⁸, b. March 24, 1859; d. June 4, 1875.

[24.] NICHOLS, HENRY E.⁸ s. of the last, m. Nettie A., dau. of George C. and Susan (Oaks) Underwood, Gr., May 19, 1878, and has 2 chn.:

26. ETHEL E.⁹, b. May 26, 1885. 27. —⁹; perhaps older.

28. NICHOLS, EDMOND⁷, s. of David⁶ and Rachel (Howard) Nichols, and gd.s. of David⁵ alluded to above, was b. Gr., Aug. 26, 1801. He m. Mary, dau. of Ezra and Ruth (Puffer) Derby in 1823, and set. in W., res. in different sections of the town, but finally purchasing and occupying the Kendall property, in the W. part of the central village, now in possession of his sons. He was a farmer, chair maker, dealer in real estate, etc., —an enterprising, shrewd, successful business man in his time. He d. March 22, 1870, a. 68. His wid., Mary (Derby) Nichols, d. five weeks later, April 29, a. 65. Their chn. were:

29. AUGUSTUS E.⁸, b. Feb. 19, 1824; m. Sophia C. Bemis; res. W.; d. Oct. 22, 1859.
 30. FREDERIC⁸, b. Oct. 30, 1825; m. wid. Aurelia B. Fisher; res. W.; 3 chn.
 31. MARY A.⁸, b. March 3, 1827; m. James M. Clark; res. W.; no chn.; d. March 12, 1858.
 32. FRANCIS⁸, b. Sept. 11, 1829; m. wid. Sophia B. Nichols; res. W.
 33. CAROLINE⁸, b. July 30, 1832; m. Thomas Greenwood; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
 34. LUCY⁸, b. Sept. 20, 1835; m. James M. Clark; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Aug. 29, 1869.
 35. LYMAN⁸, b. Jan. 29, 1839; m. Ellen A. Peabody; res. Pn.; 4 chn.; living.
 36. GEORGE⁸, b. Aug. 10, 1841; unm.; d. May 5, 1867.
 37. CLARA A.⁸, b. March 5, 1844; m. John R. Conant; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; living.
 38. CHARLES⁸, b. July 4, 1847; m. Alice A. Brown; res. W.
 39. MARCUS M.⁸, b. June 27, 1849; m. Abbie I. Reed; res. W.

[29.] NICHOLS, AUGUSTUS E.⁸, s. of the last, m. Sophia C. Bemis, and set. in W. He was a chair maker by trade as most of his bros. were. He d. Oct. 22, 1859, a. 35, and his wid. m. (2) his bro. Francis, as shown below. Chd.:

40. GEORGE CLAYTON⁹, b. July 1, 1858; d. Nov. 28, 1886, unm.

[30.] NICHOLS, FREDERIC⁸, bro. of the last, m. wid. Aurelia Fisher, dau. of Stephen and Sophia Bemis, and set. on the Dea. Edward Kendall estate, where he still lives. For some yrs. he was engaged in the manufacture of chairs, but finally sold the business to his younger bros. Chn.:

41. ALICE S.⁹, b. Nov. 2, 1874. 42. RUTH B.⁹, b. April 18, 1877.
 43. CHARLES G.⁹, b. Feb. 16, 1883.

[32.] NICHOLS, FRANCIS⁸, bro. of the last, m., as stated, Sophia, wid. of Augustus, and was awhile in business with his bros. His w. d. Aug. 29, 1890, a. 57. Chn.:

44. FRANK A.⁹, b. April 25, 1867; m. Carrie Nickerson; res. Wis.; 1 chd.
 45. CARRIE S.⁹, b. Feb. 12, 1869; died young.
 46. EDMUND⁹, b. June 8, 1871. 47. EDITH C.⁹, b. June 8, 1871.

[38.] NICHOLS, CHARLES⁸, a younger s. of Edmund⁷ and Mary, m. Dec. 10, 1871, Alice A., dau. of Timothy and Eunice (Lord) Brown. Entering into partnership with his bro., M. M. Nichols, some years since, they succeeded to the business started at the W. end of the central village by their older bros., and built up a large establishment as stated in the Chapter on "Industries," contributing very essentially to the prosperity of the town in later years. The chn. of Charles and Alice are:

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| 48. MARY A. ⁹ , b. Aug. 26, 1873. | 49. ABBIE B. ⁹ , b. Dec. 26, 1875. |
| 50. LOUIS C. ⁹ , b. 1 ec. 28, 1877. | |
| 51. ARTHUR E. ⁹ , b. May 28, 1880; d. May 26, 1889. | |
| 52. EDMUND L. ⁹ , b. Feb. 10, 1890. | |

[39.] NICHOLS, MARCUS M.⁸, the youngest of Edmund⁷'s sons, m. Abbie I., dau. of Phineas W. and Sally P. Reed, Dec. 10, 1871, and engaged in business as just noted. He served for some years, 1876 to 1881, as Town Clerk. Chn.:

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| 53. GRACE R. ⁹ , b. Oct. 3, 1872. | 54. MAUD M. ⁹ , b. Oct. 1, 1874. |
| 55. BELLE B. ⁹ , b. July 10, 1877. | 56. EDMUND C. ⁹ , b. Sept. 6, 1879. |
| 57. BLANCHE D. ⁹ , b. Dec. 5, 1881. | 58. CLARA G. ⁹ , b. Feb. 4, 1884. |
| 59. REINE C. ⁹ , b. Sept. 19, 1886. | |

[44.] NICHOLS, FRANK A.⁹, s. of Francis⁸ and Sophia, m. Carrie Nickerson. He res. W. awhile, but subsequently rem. to Two Rivers, Wis. 1 Chd.:

60. SOPHIA¹⁰, b. July 29, 1892.

1. NORCROSS, NATHANIEL, ptge., etc., untraced, drew lot No. 37, the present Samuel Bridge place, in the first division of the lands of the township, and seems to have lived there for a few years, prob. making the first clearing and building the first house on the premises. He was very likely a descendant of Richard, the first schoolmaster of Watertown, who was bro. of Jeremiah, a Narragansett soldier, upon whose right he became original proprietor. Jackson in his "History of Newton" says he came hither from that town. He sold his place in Oct., 1745, to Joseph Hosley, having then left and taken up his abode in Watertown. No family reported.

2. NORCROSS, SAMUEL, was in town 1767-1773, and appears to have res. on or near Bean Porridge Hill, but whence he came or whither he went has not been ascertained. By his w., Rachel, he had while living here:

3. SAMUEL, b. Jan. 9, 1769.

4. NORCROSS, ASA, also untraced, owned lot No. 34, 2d Div., the recent homestead of Lyman Drury, and prob. occupied it, being a taxable resident here, 1765-1769. He sold to Asa Taft of Uxbridge in 1768, and his name thereafter disappears from the records.

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CHAIR MANUFACTORY OF NICHOLS' BROTHERS.



I. O'DANIELS, DE WITT CLINTON, s. of John and Elizabeth O'Daniels, was b. in Starkey, N. Y., March 14, 1828. He was educated for the Christian ministry at the Meadville Theological School in Pa., and having been ordained, preached at Branchport, Frewsburgh, and elsewhere in his native state, coming to W. in 1854, and assuming charge of the Universalist Church and Society, in which position he remained two years. He supplied the pulpit subsequently at Athol and Richmond, N. H. His health at length failed, obliging him to give up the continuous duties of his profession. Returning to this town, he sank into a decline consequent upon pulmonary troubles, which terminated in death, Feb. 5, 1867, a. 38.

Mr. O'Daniels was a man of rare and varied natural abilities, enriched and adorned by culture and self-discipline. Radical in his theological views, he yet was profoundly reverent, spiritually minded, and consecrated to God's service in the service of mankind. His last sermon, preached in his old pulpit at W. after disease had so fastened itself upon him as to foreshadow a fatal issue at an early day, was from the text, "To die is gain," and seemed like a message from the eternal world—a sermon never to be forgotten by those privileged to hear it.

Mr. O'Daniels m. Nov. 26, 1857, Alzina, dau. of Artemas and Mary Mann, and foster dau. of Dea. Levi and Isabella (Mann) Allen. She had spent some years in teaching, having been educated for that profession at the Westfield State Normal School, and as special student for a year at Antioch College, Ohio., then in charge of the distinguished Horace Mann, its first President, a distant relative of hers. After the decease of her husband, she was engaged awhile as traveling agent of the Universalist Publishing House, Boston, for the distribution of the literature of that denomination. Subsequently she fitted herself for the Chn. ministry, and was licensed to preach by the Mass. Univ. Convention at No. Adams in Oct., 1872. She was favorably received on the part of congregations employing her, and for a year or two devoted herself mostly to the sacred calling. Her ability and scholarship were recognized by the citizens of the town, who elected her a member of the School Committee for a 3 yrs. term in 1872. But her health soon began to give way, obliging her to suspend her more active labors, and to abandon her plans of usefulness in the world. After a long illness she passed to her rest.

On the stone which marks the spot where reposes all that was mortal of this wedded pair, are the following inscriptions:

"De Witt C. O' Daniels, born into this world March 12, 1828: Born into the Summer land, Feb. 5, 1867." "Alzina (Mann) O'Daniels, born into this world March 14, 1828: Born into the better land, May 8, 1880."

Their chn. were:

2. FREDERICK W., b. Aug. 30, 1857?; res. N. Y.; m.; 2 chn.
3. EDGAR ERNEST, b. May 14, 1859?; res. Cal.; unm.
4. JOSEPH MANN, b. 1861?; res. Boston; m.; 1 chd.

I. OSBORNE, A1, s. of Samuel and Rachel (Gibson) Osborne, was b. Stow, Sept. 19, 1801. In his early manhood he went to Fitzwilliam, N. H., where he m. Elizabeth W. Dakin of Sudbury. He afterward rem. to Ashburnham, and was employed there in the manufacture of lumber. In the summer of 1835 he came to this town and had charge of the so-called Goodale Mill in the north part, taking up his abode in the house now occupied by Andrew Burnham. He was a man of good repute and standing among his fellow-citizens, and held some subordinate public offices. He was not here many years, going to Fg. with his family, where he d. April 29, 1881, a. 79. His widow survived him 5 years, passing away July 15, 1886, at the age of 74. Of their 4 chn., the two daus. only survive,—one an accomplished and successful school-teacher; the other a skillful and popular milliner and dressmaker. They res. Fg. The 4 were:

2. A1 DAKIN, b. Ash., March 29, 1833; enlisted in the army; d. Dec. 1, 1861.
3. ELIJAH WILLARD, b. Dec. 20, 1834; d. unm. at Fg., Oct. 31, 1855
4. HANNAH F., b. W., Oct. 24, 1838. 5. MARY ANN, b. March 14, 1842.

I. OXFORD, CLARENDON, s. of Zachariah and Joanna, was b. Sterling, Jan. 20, 1806. He m. Martha Freeman of Gr., and set. in the west part of this town on the old turnpike. The relations of the family, social, industrial, and religious, were with Gr. people. Mr. Oxford d. Jan. 4, 1883, a. 77. His wid. is still living. Chn., the dates of birth being uncertain:

2. WILLIAM H., b. 1830; m. Maria Grimes; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Feb., 1891.
3. MARTHA A., b. Oct., 1832; d. 1833.
4. ANNA M., b. May, 1835; m. Emory Waterman; no chn.; living.
5. CORDELIA, b. Dec., 1838; m. twice; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
6. FRANCIS E., b. Sept., 1841; m. twice; res. Gr.; 7 chn.; living.
7. CHARLOTTE, b. Aug., 1843; d. Nov. 29, 1850.
8. JAMES C., b. May, 1849; went South; 10 chn.; living.
9. DARIUS G., b. Sept. 23, 1850; m. Lucretia Wright; 2 chn.
10. RUFUS E., b. Dec. 10, 1852; d. July 8, 1854.

PAGE.

In the year 1630, John Page of Dedham, Eng., accompanied by his wife and two chn., embarked for America in one of the vessels belonging to the fleet which brought John Winthrop and a large representation of the Mass. Colony to these shores. With many of his fellow-voyagers, he set. at Watertown, then newly occupied, where he was made "freeman" the following year, and where he became a leading spirit in public affairs. He d. Dec. 18, 1676, a. ab. 90. His w. was Phœbe Paine, who belonged to a family distinguished in English annals, one of its early scions, Sir Thomas Payne, having been knighted for personal courage and prowess displayed in one of the Crusades to the Holy Land.

John Page², s. of the immigrant, b. 1630, a short time before his parents left their native land, m. Faith Dunster and located in Groton ab. 1662. He occupied there many positions of trust and honor, and rendered important service in both secular and religious concerns. After the destruction of the town by the Indians in 1694, he returned to Watertown, where he d. in 1711. One of his s., Samuel³, was the first white settler of Lunenburg, and was widely known as "Old Gov. Page." Another, Jonathan³, b. June

24, 1677, remained in Groton, and was largely identified with the growth and prosperity of the town. By his w., Mary, he had Joseph⁴, b. Oct. 22, 1714, who m. Abigail Shedd, and had Jonathan⁵, b. July 22, 1742. The latter located in Fg. ab. the time of its incorporation, and spent his remaining life there, enjoying the respect and confidence of his fellow-townsmen on account of his unblemished character and upright dealings with all men. In 1769 he m. Esther Willard of Harvard, and had 7 chn., of whom one became a permanent resident of this town.

1. PAGE, JOEL⁶, s. of Jonathan⁵ and Esther, was b. in 1782. He m. Feb., 1806, Thurza, dau. of Josiah and Huldah (Page) Wheeler, and lived for many years on his f.'s farm in Fg. In 1823 he rem. to W., having made arrangements with the f. of his w. to have the homestead on Bean Porridge Hill, now owned by Mr. Robinson. After residing there some 12 yrs. he sold to his s. Josiah and returned to Fg., where he d. May 22, 1853, a. 71. His w., Thurza, d. Jan. 13, 1846, a. 65. Mr. Page was "well known for his feats of prodigious strength, and was the acknowledged champion in all the athletic sports of his day." He also inherited from his ancestors corresponding intellectual energy and force of character. The chn. of Joel⁶ and Thurza Page, b. Fg., were:

2. MAJOR⁷, b. April 7, 1807; m. Dorinda Miller; res. W.

3. HARRIET⁷, b. April 10, 1809; m. Sidney Smith; res. W. and Stg.; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 6, 1843.

4. JOSIAH⁷, b. May 30, 1811; m. Lucinda Whitney; res. W.

5. EMELINE⁷, b. July 11, 1813; m. Josiah Puffer; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 21, 1878.

6. MARIA⁷, b. 1815; m. S. P. Gibson; res. Ashby; 1 chd.; d. April, 1864.

7. BETSEY⁷, b. 1817; d. in infancy.

8. JOEL⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1820; m. Sarah Pierce; res. Fg.; 5 chn.

[2.] PAGE, MAJOR⁷, s. of the last, came to W. with his f. when 16 yrs. old. In 1833 (pub. June 9), he m. Dorinda, dau. of Ezra and Lucy (Whitcomb) Miller, by whom he had 5 chn. During the last years of his life he owned and res. in the Corey house, nearly opposite the bakery. He was a chair maker by trade, reserved in manner, upright and honorable in his dealings, and much respected in the community. He held the office of Selectman 2 yrs., and received other tokens of public regard. He d. Nov. 23, 1863, a. 56. His wid. is still living, making her home with her dau. in Waltham. Their chn. are:

9. LUCY M.⁸, b. Dec. 1, 1833; m. Daniel Stone; res. W., etc.; 4 chn.; living.

10. Unnamed⁸, b. Aug. 22, 1835; d. infancy.

11. MARY D.⁸, b. Oct. 21, 1837; m. A. P. Bateman; res. Winch.; 5 chn.; living.

12. CHARLES H.⁸, b. Feb. 8, 1839; m. res. E. Monmouth, Me.; no chn. (See p. 419.)

13. GEORGE H.⁸, b. Nov. 29, 1840; unm.; d. June 26, 1864. (See p. 410.)

[4.] PAGE, JOSIAH⁷, bro. of the last, also came to W. in 1823 with his f., and m. June 18, 1835, Lucinda, dau. of Smyrna and Ruth (Whitney) Whitney. Ab. that time he purchased the home place and remained on it until a few years since, when he rem. to the Gaut house at the Center. He was an industrious, successful farmer, and a man of sterling integrity and worth.

He was a member of the Board of Selectmen in 1849, and in other ways has served the general weal. He dec'd Jan., 1893, and his wid. Feb. 24, the same year. Chn.:

14. PORTER F.⁸, b. July 19, 1837; m. Elsie K. Wood; res. W.

15. CHARLES W.⁸, b. Sept. 7, 1845; m. twice; res. Danvers; 3 chn. (See below.)

16. FRANCIS H.⁸, b. July 24, 1847; d. April 15, 1865.

[14.] PAGE, PORTER F.⁸, s. of Josiah⁷ and Lucinda, m. Elsie K., dau. of T. Dwight and Emeline (Clark) Wood, May 31, 1865. He is an enterprising, successful farmer, residing on the well-known Jonathan Sawyer place on Bean Porridge Hill. Mr. and Mrs. P. have but 1 chd.:

17. FRANK H.⁹, b. July 4, 1866; unm.; res. with parents.

Charles W. Page⁸ (15), brother of the last named, studied at the Medical Dept. of Harvard Univ., graduating in 1871. He first located as a regular practitioner in the profession at Fg., but, displaying some special qualifications for the position, was soon called to be Assistant Physician in the "Retreat for the Insane" at Hartford, Conn. He remained there till 1888, when he received the appointment of Superintendent of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, in this State, where he now is.

While at Fg., Dr. Page, in 1873, m. Henrietta Parkhurst of Groton, who bore him 1 chd., Parkhurst⁹, b. at Hartford, July 28, 1874. She d. Feb. 27, 1880, and he m. (2) March 9, 1886, Caroline L. Collins of Hartford, by whom he has had (1890) 2 chn.—Atwood Collins⁹, b. Nov. 12, 1887, and Charles Whitney⁹, b. Jan. 27, 1890.

18. PAGE, CHARLES H., s. of Edson and Harriet L., was b. Westport, N. Y., m. Ann Maria, dau. of James and Mary Ryan of W., Dec. 17, 1870, and has since res. in town. Chn.:

19. CHARLES E., b. June 5, 1875.

21. HATTIE M., b. July 24, 1880.

23. LENA M., b. May 8, 1886.

20. GEORGE E., b. Sept. 26, 1877.

22. FRANK J., b. March 26, 1883.

24. BENJAMIN H., b. Nov. 12, 1888.

PALMER, REV. CHARLES M., s. of Asa and Pamelia Palmer of Orford, N. H., was b. Jan. 16, 1837. Inured to the labor of a farm in his youth, and with limited educational advantages, he yet fitted himself for teaching as a temporary vocation, subsequently preparing for college at Kimball Academy, Meriden. He grad. at Dartmouth in 1862, and after 2 yrs. spent as Principal of the Hitchcock Free School, Brimfield, in this state, he entered Union Theological School, N. Y. City, going thence a year later to Andover and completing his studies there in 1867. He was ordained to the work of the Chn. ministry Dec. 8, 1868, at Harrisville, N. H., where he remained 3 yrs., and was afterward employed at Corinth, 2 yrs., Meriden, 8 yrs., and at Saratoga, Cal., 1 yr. Returning to N. E. he began his labors with the First Chh. and Society in this town, March 18, 1883, and continued there till 1891. After a respite of a year for the recuperation of his health, he took charge of a chh. at Sharon, Vt., where he now resides.

Mr. Palmer while here was a faithful laborer in the vineyard of the Master. Holding steadfastly his own theological opinions, he was at the same time of a catholic spirit, happy to recognize the Chn. character wherever it existed, and happy to work with all those of whatever name, who were seeking to

build up the kingdom of God in the world. Faithful to his own people, both as preacher and pastor, he was also a good citizen, interested in education, moral reform, public improvements, etc., and active in doing what seemed to him conducive of the welfare and happiness of the community. He m. Aug. 28, 1868, Marion W. Powers, whose ptge., etc., are unknown to the writer, but the union has been blessed by no chn.

1. PARCHER, FRANK L., s. of John F. and Lydia A., was b. at Biddeford, Me., Oct. 30, 1847. He m. at Boston, May 12, 1868, Mary E., dau. of Wm. L. and Jane R. Geasling of Alexandria, Va., and after res. in B. some 17 yrs. rem. to this town, and set. on the John Miller place near Wachusett Mt. He is by trade a millwright, with some experience in farming. His mother, Lydia A. Parcher, d. W., Dec. 20, 1891. Chn.:

2. WILLIAM F., b. Boston, May 22, 1869; d. B., March 26, 1875.

3. ORRIN E., b. B., Oct. 25, 1871; a farmer at Saco, Me.

4. NELLIE M., b. B., Jan. 14, 1874; a public school-teacher in W.

5. FRED G., b. B., May 1, 1882.

PARKER.

Thomas Parker¹, prob. from Reading, Eng., came to this country in the ship *Susan Ellen* in 1635, set. temporarily in Lynn, but soon took up his permanent res. in Reading, originally called "Lynn Village," where he was held in high esteem. His s., Nathaniel², who was dignified with the title of "Ensign," had Nathaniel³, a lieutenant in the colonial militia.

1. PARKER, NATHAN⁴, s. of Lieut. Nathaniel³, m. Tabitha Gould and settled in Nar. No. 2, locating on lot No. 30, east of the Pond, now owned by F. A. Taylor, which he bought of Nath'l Seaver, Dec. 14, 1758. He had chn., but none of them were b. here. Jan. 27, 1762, the town voted to have a school kept in his house. He returned to Reading ab. 1776, where he d. two or three years afterward. The parting of the roads below his place of residence, known as "Parker's Corner," perpetuates his name.

2. PARKER, CALEB⁵, s. of Nathan⁴ and Tabitha, was b. in Reading in 1743. He m. (1) Zeruah Read of Woburn, by whom he had 1 s. and perhaps other chn. before coming to W. She d. and he m. (2) Hannah Garfield, sr. of Solomon, who bore him 2 chn. and prob. more. He succeeded to the homestead of his f., and res. here many years. No record of his d. or rem. has been found. He was in town as late as 1791, when he, with w. and 4 chn., was warned out. The only known register of his family, undoubtedly incomplete, is the following:

3. CALEB⁶, b. Reading, 1768, of whom nothing further has been learned.

4. SUKEY⁶, b. W., Dec. 24, 1784.

5. ABRAM G.⁶, b. W., Oct. 14, 1786.

Abram G. Parker⁶ (5) m. Lydia B., dau. of David and Rachel (Howard) Nichols, and set. first in Gr. (South Village), where he, in company with two others, built an iron mill, and carried on the manufacture of nails and other goods of a similar nature for some years, and where 2 chn. were b. to him. He rem. to Roxbury, and lived there to good old age. His w., Lydia B., d. many years before he did, and he m. a second time, his wid. surviving him until a recent date.

PARMENTER. Nathaniel Parmenter of Sudbury and his w., Susannah, had Jacob, b. 1752, Nathaniel, b. 1754, and Susannah, b. 1756. The w., Susannah, d., and he m. (2) Mary (Hinds), wid. of Capt. John Stebbins of Leicester, and mother of Mrs. Timothy Heywood, afterward of W., in June, 1757, and rem. to Spencer. He enlisted in the F. and I. War soon after, and d. in the service, 1759, leaving one s. by the last w. She subsequently m. Philip Sweetzer of Lanc. and res. for some years at Winchendon, where she d. ab. 1780, leaving one s. by her last husband (perhaps others), named William, a sometime resident of this town.

I. **PARMENTER, NATHAN**, s. of Nathaniel and Mary (Hinds) Stebbins Parmenter, was b. in Spencer, March 1, 1758. He lived in W. a few years after reaching maturity, then went to Barnard, Vt., where he m. Dorcas Aikins and had several chn. Later in life he removed to Potsdam, N. Y., and d. there. He served several years in the Rev. war. His s. Solomon m. Philena Eastman, and res. in Potsdam, where he has descendants now living.

2. **PARMENTER, NELSON**, s. of this Solomon, was b. April 29, 1811. When a young man he came to W. and learned the saddle and harness-making trade of Alvin Upham, and was an occasional resident here for many years afterward. He, however, carried on business awhile at Sterling, and subsequently at Gardner. He m. May 7, 1840, Lucy Ann, dau. of Pearson and Susannah (Upton) Cowee. The later years of his life, during which he suffered from mental derangement, were spent among his family relatives at Potsdam, in which place he d. Sept. 13, 1866, a. 55. His wid. d. at Fg. in 1890, a. 76. Chn.:

3. **LEANDER**, b. W., June 20, 1845; d. the same day.

4. **MARY LOUISA**, b. Oct., 1853; d. May, 1856.

PARTRIDGE.

Among the early proprietors of the old town of Medfield was John Partridge¹, presumably an immigrant settler, though possibly s. of William of Salisbury and gd.son of John of Buckinghamshire, a descendant, it is claimed, of Richard de Petriche of Wishanger Manor, Gloucester Co., Eng. By his w., Magdalen (Bullard), he had John², who located in that part of his native place afterwards set off to form Medway, now Millis. He was a school-teacher and a leader in tn. and chh. affairs. His s., Benoni³, b. 1687, m. Mehitable Wheelock and set. in what is known as W. Medway. Among their chn. was Moses⁴, whose wife was Rachel Thayer, and whose s., Simeon⁵, m. Jerusha White and had Elihu⁶, b. Sept. 28, 1787. The latter m. (1) Charlotte Wight, who d. in 1833, and (2) Maria Paine, dau. of Capt. Wm. Paine of Welfleet. He had 5 chn., of whom the youngest was a well-known res. here for some years.

I. **PARTRIDGE, REV. LYMAN**⁷, s. of Elihu⁶ and Maria (Paine) Partridge, was b. at W. Medway, Aug. 23, 1836. He grad. at the Westfield Normal School in 1856, and spent some years in teaching. Subsequently, prepared for College at Pierce Academy, Middleboro', entered Brown Univ. in 1859, and grad. with the class of 1863. He studied Theology at Newton for 3 yrs., and was ordained and settled as Pastor of the Baptist Chh. in

Wales, Nov. 13, 1866, remaining there 3 yrs. He preached at Wakefield, R. I., 1869-72; at Sharon, 1872-82; at Roslindale (Boston) 1882-1883; and in this town, where he had a very pleasant and successful pastorate of 9 yrs., 1883-1892, going hence recently to W. Dedham. Several of his sermons, addresses, etc., have been published. He also wrote a sketch of the Bap. Chh. in Medway for Jameson's History of that town. He m. June 28, 1870, Julia O. Elliot of Thompson, Conn. Of this union there have been 2 chn.:

2. HERBERT GRAVES⁸, b. So. Kingston, R. I., Oct. 21, 1871; grad. Brown Univ., 1892; now in Med. Sch. of Univ. of Pa.
3. THEODORE ELLIOT⁸, b. Sharon, April 21, 1873; d. Oct. 24, 1874.

PATRIDGE. This name was derived from the one just noticed, the families in this town distinguished by it having descended from John Partridge¹ of Medfield by an unbroken succession. His s. Samuel², b. Feb. 22, 1671, m. Hannah Mason and had Benjamin³, b. 1709, an early settler in Bellingham. By some authorities it is claimed that this Benjamin³ was s. of Eleazer², an older s. of John¹. However that may be, he, by his w., Sarah, became f. of Joseph⁴, who married Catherine Richardson of Medway, and had 13 chn. One of these was

I. PATRIDGE, LIBERTY⁵, b. Bellingham, Jan. 13, 1776. He m. (1) Submit Miller of Winchendon, July 15, 1798, who bore him 8 chn. and d. March 1, 1813. Soon after his m. he came to W., and Dec. 20, 1799, bought of David Wyman the farm in the Minott neighborhood, lying partly in W. and partly in Gr. —the present house belonging to which stands upon the line separating the two. After residing there many years, he sold the estate and purchased the Bigelow sawmill at the outlet of Cedar Swamp, living in one end of it while he got out lumber in the other. He also erected a mill on the stream below, which was destroyed by fire at an early day. He was a conscientious and enthusiastic believer in the speedy Second Advent of Christ and views connected therewith. After the decease of his first wife, he m. (2) Jan. 31, 1814, Rachel Holbrook of Bellingham, by whom he had 3 chn. She d. Oct. 29, 1861, and he m. (3) wid. Betsey Ward of Ash., who survived him. He d. at the home of his s. in Warwick, Aug. 24, 1867, a. 91. In some unkn. way the first *r* dropped out of this family name with him, though it occasionally gets back again among his descendants. His chn. were:

2. CATA⁶, b. Dec. 1, 1799; m. Joel Flagg; res. W., etc.; 7 chn.
3. DANA⁶, b. March 19, 1801; d. Oct. 24, 1801.
4. EDA⁶, b. May 31, 1803; m. Timothy Jones; res. Franklin; sev. chn.
5. DORINDA⁶, b. Aug. 27, 1805; m. Almon Colman; res. Hub.; 10 chn.; d. Aug. 17, 1851.
6. ALFRED⁶, b. Aug. 17, 1807; m. Chloe Richardson; res. Warwick; 3 chn.; d. July 15, 1873.
7. AMOS⁶, b. June 23, 1809; m. Melita Reynolds; res. W., etc.
8. SAMANTHA⁶, b. Feb. 13, 1811; m. Preston Ellis; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Oct. 16, 1881.
9. Unnamed⁶, b. Feb. 28, 1813; d. same day.

10. DINAH H.⁶, b. April 26, 1815; m. George W. Johnson; res. W., etc.; 2 chn.
11. LIBERTY⁶, b. May 14, 1817; d. Dec. 21, 1832.
12. KENDRICK⁶, b. June 22, 1819; m. Emma Perham; res. Royalston; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 24, 1853.

[7.] PATRIDGE, AMOS⁶, s. of the last, m. Melita, dau. James and Dolly Reynolds of Charlton, March 27, 1836. He was a stonecutter by trade, an upright man and reputable citizen. He d. at Gr., April 23, 1883, a. 73. Melita, his w., d. Aug. 7, 1877, a. 64. Chn.:

13. HARRIET⁷, b. March 18, 1837; m. Jason A. Ray; res. Gr.
14. HENRY J.⁷, b. Nov. 7, 1840; m. Martha F. Ellis; res. W.
15. AMOS H.⁷, b. Nov. 30, 1843; d. in war of Rebellion, June 10, 1862. (See Chap. XX.)
16. JOHN E.⁷, b. June 5, 1846?; m. Susan A. Hall; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.

[14.] PARTRIDGE, HENRY J.⁷, s. of the last, who restores the lost r occasionally, m. Jan. 15, 1865, Martha F., dau. Preston and Samantha (Partridge) Ellis. He is an industrious farmer, horticulturist, and mechanic; a man of good standing, and a Deacon of the Baptist Chh. He has served the town for several years as Selectman and in other important ways. (See page 410.) Chn.:

17. HOLMES E.⁸, b. Sept. 28, 1865; unm.; res. W.
18. MARIA S.⁸, b. Jan. 3, 1867; unm.; res. W.
19. EDA M.⁸, b. July 21, 1868; unm.; res. W.
20. ROELLA E.⁸, b. April 12, 1870; unm.; res. W.

PEARSON.

John Pearson¹, the pioneer of the family in America, came from Essex Co., Eng., it is said, and set. at Rowley in 1643, building there the first saw-mill in N. E. He is reputed to have been a Puritan of the Puritans, giving his 13 chn., in token thereof, names from the Bible, after the manner of some in those days. His s. John², b. 1644, m. Mary Prichard and had, with other chn., John³, b. 1674. Another John⁴, in the next generation, went to Lancaster, 2d precinct (Sterling), ab. 1750, prob. with a bro. Bartholomew⁴ and sr. Mary⁴, who married James Cowee of this town. Among the sons of this John⁴ was Josiah⁵, bap. June 27, 1757, and Joseph⁵, bap. June 12, 1759, one of whom, supposedly the latter, was father of the following:

I. PEARSON, SILAS⁶, b. Sterling, 1786, s. prob. of Joseph⁵ and Mary (Farrer) Pearson, was possessed of unusual natural ability and scholarly ambitions. Upon coming to maturity, he chose medicine for a calling in life, studying with the celebrated Dr. Benjamin Rush of Phila., and taking a course in surgery under the direction of the scarcely less celebrated Dr. Twitchell of Keene, N. H. In his early practice he rode with Dr. Peter Tuttle of Hancock, N. H., a native of Princeton, where he became acquainted with Susannah, dau. of Samuel and Susannah (Laughton) Gates, whom he m. Dec. 22, 1812. Just before this date he had set. in this town, where he remained through life. He rose to an eminent rank in medical circles, and was so well qualified for giving instruction in the art of healing,

that he received into his family students from time to time, who went out from under his tuition thoroughly equipped for the duties of the profession. Dr. Pearson was much interested in matters relating to the public well-being, especially in the cause of education, and served for several years successively as a member of the Sch. Com. He d. May 2, 1824, a. 37. His w. d. Hancock, Sept. 25, 1872, a. 83. Chn.:

2. SUSAN⁷, b. 1821; m. Charles F. Holman; res. N. Y. City; has chn.; now living Kansas City.
3. CHARLES B.⁷, b. Dec. 19, 1823; m. Susan B. Davidson; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.; 3 chn.; General Agent Manhattan Life Insurance Co.

PECKHAM.

John Peckham¹ was a settler in Newport, R. I., in 1638. He was undoubtedly one of the eighteen associates of William Coddington, who, out of fealty to conscience and in the search for larger religious liberty, went out from the Mass. Colony under the inspiration of Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson, to found a plantation which should be "judged and guided by the absolute laws of Christ." He had three sons, John², Thomas², and Stephen², each of whom owned 100 acres of land in E. Greenwich in 1677. One of these was without question the father of Philip³, b. ab. 1680, who m. Sarah Black, and had among other chn. John⁴, b. 1714. The latter m. Tabitha, dau. of Samuel Howland, the gt.-gd. son of John and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, both pilgrims of the Mayflower, as was also the father of Elizabeth, John Tilley. The line of descent from John Howland¹ ran through Jabez² and Josiah³ to Samuel⁴, the father of Tabitha⁵. These all res. in R. I., where the Peckham name was widely distributed and honorably known for several generations.

John⁴ and Tabitha (Howland) Peckham were the parents of William⁵, b. Feb. 12, 1751, who m. Elizabeth Knapp and located at Petersham, whence sprang those of the name in this town.

I. PECKHAM, ROBERT,⁶ s. of the last couple, was b. Sept. 10, 1785. He m. Feb. 7, 1813, Ruth, dau. of Joseph and Ruth (Walcott) Sawyer of Bolton. They lived for a time at Northampton and afterwards at Bolton, but came to W. in 1820 for a permanent home. In Oct. of that year, Mr. Peckham bought of Alexander Dustin a lot of land in the village, adjoining the schoolhouse premises, and erected a house upon it in which he ever afterward resided. He was a painter by trade, developing unusual skill along the higher lines of his calling, and attaining considerable distinction as a delineator of the "human face divine." Some of his landscapes, also, still extant, have been deemed worthy of commendation by competent judges in such matters.

Mr. Peckham was an active, influential citizen of the town, and an earnest, prominent member of the First Cong. Church, in which he served as Deacon for 14 years. He was also greatly interested in questions of moral and social reform. He early espoused the Anti-Slavery cause, and was one of the original members of the Liberty Party here, becoming an ardent Free Soiler in 1848, and a Republican in 1856, and living to

rejoice in the final enfranchisement of the oppressed during the next decade. He was a devoted friend of Temperance to the extent of Total Abstinence for the individual and Prohibition for the State. Holding strictly and even rigidly to the Puritanic system of religious belief, he yet mingled much of humanity with his piety, in accordance with the Apostolic doctrine: "He that loveth God, must love his brother also."

Dea. Peckham lived to advanced years, passing to his rest June 29, 1877, aged nearly 92. His w., Ruth, who bore him 9 chn., d. Feb. 7, 1842, a. 53. He m. (2) April, 1843, Mahala, dau. of Albigence and Lydia (Fletcher) Griggs of Brimfield, who bore him a dau. His wife d. April 23, 1883, a. 83. Chn.:

2. ELIZABETH K.⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1814; d. March 25, 1817.
3. JOSEPH⁷, b. April 23, 1816; m. Mary H. Russell; res. Kingston; no chn.; d. May 17, 1884.
4. SARAH⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1818; d. Sept. 24, 1840.
5. ELIZABETH⁷, b. March 31, 1820; m. Samuel T. Field; res. Worc.; 2 chn.; d. July 20, 1856.
6. ROBERT WILLIAM⁷, b. Aug. 9, 1822; d. Aug. 10, 1825.
7. RUTH⁷, b. Oct. 28, 1825; m. Ephraim Beaman; res. Worc.; no chn.; living.
8. GEORGE R.⁷, b. Oct. 2, 1827; m. Caroline C. Felt; res. Worc., etc.; 7 chn.; d. Sept., 1884.
9. JAMES⁷, b. Sept. 21, 1829; d. Oct. 13, 1829.
10. SAMUEL HENRY⁷, b. June 2, 1833; d. Andersonville prison, Sept. 29, 1864. (See Chap. XX.)
11. MARY⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1844; res. Westboro', unm.

Joseph Peckham⁷ (3) grad. at Amherst Coll. in 1837, studied divinity at Andover and Union Seminary, N. Y., grad. at the latter institution in 1842; was ordained at Kingston the same year, where, with the exception of two years, 1856-1858, spent in Minn., he remained through life. While in M. he was elected to the Legislature, serving on the committee that framed the State Constitution. He was pastor of the church in Kingston, 1842-1856, and from ab. 1859 to 1881, some 36 years. He was a public-spirited citizen as well as a clergyman, and had much to do with the schools of the town.

I. PEELER, GEORGE W., s. of Allendis and Lucy (Patterson) Peeler of Vernon, Vt., was b. Dec. 6, 1815. He m. Dec. 31, 1841, Maria L. Dickinson of Northfield, and, after living awhile at Vernon, Northfield, Athol, and Worc., came to W. some 10 yrs. since and set. on the John C. Miller place in the east part of the town, where himself, w., and s. still res. Chn.:

2. GEORGE A., b. Vernon, Vt.; killed at Winchester, Va., Sept. 16, 1863.
3. MARIA A., b. Northfield; m. C. Barnard and res. Boston.
4. LUCY A., b. Northfield; d. Athol, Nov. 28, 1867.
5. LOUISA A., b. N.; m. O. F. Davis; res. W.
6. LAURA A., b. N.; m. O. G. Blanding; res. Leom.
7. LILLA A., b. N.; d. N., Sept. 6, 1858.
8. DURWARD A., b. N.; m. B. L. Engel; res. W.

[8.] PEELER, DURWARD A., just named, m. Bertha L., dau. of Peter and Marie A. C. Engel of Boston, Nov. 27, 1888. He is a farmer, and shares with his f. the old Fessenden (Miller) homestead mentioned above. Chn.:

9. MARIA L., b. Oct. 22, 1889.
10. ADDIE L., b. Dec. 17, 1890.
11. ANNA E., b. Aug. 22, 1892.

PENNIMAN.

Among the fellow-passengers of John Winthrop, Jr., afterwards Gov. of Conn., who came from Eng. to this country in the ship *Lion* in 1631, was James Penniman¹, the first of the name in Mass. He set. to begin with, it is believed, in Boston, but soon rem. to Braintree, whence his descendants went to other localities in the colony and elsewhere. He was made "freeman," with John Eliot, March 6, 1732. The line of descent from him to William of W. ran through the intervening generations as follows: Joseph², b. of his w., Lydia, Aug. 1, 1639; James³, s. of Joseph² and Waiting, b. Feb. 16, 1683; William⁴, s. of James³ and Abigail, b. July 7, 1705; William⁵, s. of William⁴ and Ruth, b. Jan. 19, 1731-2, — all residents of Braintree.

I. PENNIMAN, WILLIAM⁶, s. of William⁵ and Sarah, was b. Feb. 17, 1756. He appears to have lived, when a young man, at Cambridge, working at his trade as a tanner, from which place he came here ab. 1780. On May 26, 1781, he purchased of Joshua Everett the well-known Forbush place in the Central Village, now owned by E. L. Burnham, where a public house had been kept for some years, and on which there was a tannery. He carried on both kinds of business there for nearly half a century. His tavern was a famous hostelry in "ye olden time." There the traveling public shared a generous hospitality and each other's overflow of information, anecdote, wit, and song, in which the townsfolk, as inclination or leisure allowed, bore a by no means unimportant part; and there the motley company of worshipers from the honored sanctuary on the hill gathered Sunday noons to eat their simple luncheon,—moistening it, perchance, with something stronger than water from the potables of "mine host,"—to indulge in friendly chat, tell and hear the news of the day, talk politics, criticise, it may be, the sermon of the morning and possibly him who delivered it, and now and then, as the custom was, discuss, pro or con, some point of theological doctrine which had been brought to their notice by the occupant of the sacred desk or otherwise. Could that ancient inn, stripped of its modern comely garb, appear in its old-time form and garniture, and tell of what had transpired within its walls—of what had been said and done there as the generations came and went, what a tale would it unfold! What a revelation of the life of other days would it bring to view!

After occupying the place under notice more than 45 yrs., Mr. Penniman sold it and its belongings, March 29, 1827, to David Forbush, and retired to the more modest and unpretending habitation erected by himself, nearly in the rear of the recent chair manufactory of Nichols Bros., now occupied by William Eaton, in which he spent the remainder of his life. He held the office of Town Assessor several years, and was 2 years Selectman. Soon after locating here he m. Sarah, dau. of Elisha and Sarah (Goodridge) Bigelow, who bore him but 1 chd. He d. April 27, 1837, a. 81. Sarah, his wid., d. March 16, 1843, a. 80. They had a s.:

2. JOEL⁷, b. Dec. 3, 1783; he d. unm. March 17, 1817, a. 33.

1. PERKINS, BENJAMIN, s. of Benjamin and Lydia, was b. Leom., Oct. 11, 1767. He res. awhile at Bakersfield, Vt., in early manhood, but finally set. in Fg., where he m. Achsah Boutelle, Jan. 11, 1804, and where his chn. were b. Late in life he came to W., and located on the original Philip Bemis place, near where George Harris lives. He d. Sept. 16, 1849, a. 71. His wid. d. April 28, 1861, a. 84. A dau., Maria, long resident in tn., d. June 11, 1877, a. ab. 71.

2. PERKINS, HENRY, s. of the last, was b. Fg., July 30, 1810. He seems to have come here with his f., and to have succeeded him on the Bemis farm. He m. (1) Martha, dau. of Joel and Zilpah (Jones) Sawin of Pn., Dec. 25, 1840. She d. June 13, 1852, a. 37, and he m. (2) Rosilla R. Gibson of Ash., Feb. 22, 1853. They subsequently went to Minn. and finally to Cal., where he d. July 5, 1871, a. 61. His wid. d. there March 18, 1888. His chn. were:

3. BENJAMIN F., b. Dec. 22, 1841; d. Jan. 15, 1842.
4. SARAH M., b. Dec. 8, 1842; m. A. W. Darling; res. Dimond, Cal.; 5 chn.; 1.
5. WILLIAM H., b. Aug. 30, 1846; res. Napa, Cal.; unm.
6. JOHN F., b. Dec. 11, 1847; d. May 13, 1848.
7. GEORGE F., b. Jan. 9, 1852; m. Emaline Silvers; res. San Francisco; no chn.
8. EUGENE B., b. Monticello, Minn., March, 1862; d. Sept., 1865.
9. EMMONS M., b. Buffalo, N. Y., Aug., 1864; d. June, 1880.

10. PERKINS, HARRISON, s. of John and Polly (Whitney) Perkins, was b. Leom., July 13, 1825. He m. Jan. 1, 1850, Almira, dau. of Leonard and Lucinda (Sawin) Hoar of this tn. He is a farmer, and for a while res. in Monticello, Minn., but for many years has lived in Wachusettville, opp. the reservoir. Chn.:

11. MYRA ADELIA, b. Oct. 13, 1850.
12. ELIZA JANE, b. May 12, 1852.
13. HATTIE LUCINDA, b. March 24, 1854.
14. CHARLES HARRISON, b. June 25, 1856.
15. ALBERT HARRISON, b. April 6, 1862.

1. PERRY, SILAS, ancestry unknown, but said to have come from Leom., bought Sept. 13, 1768, a small piece of land fronting on Main st., of Joshua Bigelow, and built upon it the house now owned by Charles Eaton, where he resided ab. a dozen years. He was a cabinetmaker by trade and, having erected a shop on the premises, carried on business to a considerable extent there. He disposed of the property in 1798 to Edward Kendall and John Miller, who prob. had been apprentices under him, and left the town. His subsequent place of residence is unknown. His second son, Joseph, grad. at Dartmouth Coll., 1811, and became a teacher of some note in Keene, N. H., and vicinity. By his w., Catherine, he had in W. 7 sons:

2. JOHN, b. June 18, 1785.
3. JOSEPH, b. May 30, 1788; } twins; { m. Lydia Peters; d. Keene, N. H., July 17, 1865.
4. JAMES, b. May 30, 1788; } d. Sept. 25, 1789.
5. JAMES, b. April 25, 1790.
6. ABEL, b. March 22, 1793.
7. SILAS, b. May 9, 1795.
8. HORACE, b. March 21, 1797.

9. PERRY, JOSEPH, s. of Joseph and Betsey (Pierce) Perry, was b. Fitchburg, May 14, 1790. He married Eunice, dau. Samuel and Huldah (Miles) Brooks, 1815 (pub. April 24), and settled in this town. His place of res. was on the old turnpike in the E. part of the town, nearly opp. the site of the former red schoolhouse. (See A. H. No. 47.) He d. Dec. 8, 1860, a. 72. His wid. d. Feb. 22, 1877, a. 85. They had a large family:

10. BETSEY, b. Oct. 23, 1815; m. Isaac Seaver; res. W.
11. LEVI, b. Oct. 15, 1818; nothing further.
12. WILLIAM, b. Feb. 8, 1821; m. Lydia Libby.
13. SALLY, b. April 15, 1822; m. Jason Dunster, etc.; res. W.
14. MARY, b. March 29, 1824; m. Joseph A. Estabrook.
15. Unnamed, b. Oct. 4, 1826; d. infancy.
16. Unnamed, b. May 2, 1828; { twins; { d. May 2, 1828.
17. Unnamed, b. May 2, 1828; { d. May 7, 1828.
18. CAROLINE, b. Aug. 2, 1829; killed by lightning, Aug. 23, 1845.
19. NANCY, b. Jan. 4, 1832; m. Daniel H. Fisher of New Bedford.
20. HULDAH M., b. Oct. 8, 1834; m. William Fay.

PETTS, JONATHAN, s. of Jonathan and Relief, was b. Stoddard, N. H., July 31, 1796. He m. Elizabeth Smith and came to W. in mid-life, locating in Whitman River valley. Little authentic information of the family has been found. He d. Feb. 16, 1864, a. 67. Elizabeth d. Sept. 23, 1876, a. 70. A s., T. Augustus, was in the war (see p. 410); Aaron G. d. July 27, 1876, a. 40; Martha d. July 15, 1861, a. 22; Arvilla R. m. Joseph Barrell, Ash; Eliza Ann m. — Townsend. Besides these, there are said to have been Everett, Frank, Charles, and Rosa, but nothing more is kn. of them.

I. PHILLIPS, JONATHAN, ptge., etc., unknown, is said to have come from Sterling. He was here ab. 1778, and was pub. to Elizabeth, dau. of Wm. and Rezina (Wilder) Bemis, May 21, 1780. He was a cooper by trade. Nov. 29, 1793, he bought two acres of land bordering on Bacon st., of Samuel Gerrish, on which he built a res. for himself and family. It was the Wm. Sawin house, in which Mrs. Delva now res. Place and date of d. not ascertained. Chn. b. W.:

2. JOHN, b. May 5, 1781; m. Roxa Bancroft; res. Gr.; 5 chn.
3. BETSEY, b. Oct. 29, 1783; m. William Spring.
4. WILLIAM, b. Oct. 5, 1785; d. Nov. 15, 1810.
5. EZRA, b. July 14, 1788; town charge 1824; nothing further.
6. REZINA, b. April 10, 1791; d. unm. July 31, 1842.
7. SOPHIA, b. Sept. 9, 1795; nothing further.
8. JONATHAN, b. July 16, 1798; nothing further.

PIERCE.

The Pierce families of W. and vicinity descended from Anthony², the sup. s. of John¹, the immigrant, who was b. in Eng., 1609, and, coming to this country in the early days of the Mass. Colony, set. in Watertown, where he was made "freeman" Sept. 3, 1634. Anthony² had Joseph³, whose s. John⁴ was f. of Jonas⁵ of Lexington, who m. Abigail, dau. of John and Martha (Monroe) Comee, aunt of David Comee of Gr. Jonas⁵ spent the last years of his life with his chn. in W., where his will was dated, Aug. 15, 1776.

1. PIERCE, NATHAN⁶, s. of Jonas⁵ and Martha, b. Dec. 15, 1732, was the first of the name in this town. He m. Sarah, dau. Israel and Sarah Mead of Lex., Dec. 26, 1753, and, coming here, located on lot 55, which he had bought of Wm. Bowman the preceding July. There he remained till 1781, when he sold to Thaddeus Bond of Sudbury and disappeared. His w., Sarah, d. March 4, 1765, and he m. (2) Mary Cottenham, Oct. 31, the same year. Chn.:

2. SARAH⁷, b. Oct. 28, 1754; m. Samuel Fessenden; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. Dec. 10, 1844.
3. Unnamed⁷, b. prob. 1756.
4. ABEL⁷, b. Sept., 1758.
5. THADIES⁷, b. Jan., 1761; d. infancy.
6. AMOS⁷, b. Aug., 1763.
7. THADEUS⁷, b. Nov. 2, 1766.

8. PIERCE, JOHN⁶, younger bro. of the last, was b. July 14, 1736. He m. (1) Abigail Demport, who soon d. leaving no issue, and (2) Abigail, dau. Andrew and Elizabeth (Nichols) Beard of Reading, a sr. of Joseph Beard of this town. He seems to have lived for a time in Waltham, but Nov. 22, 1773, he purchased of Jacob Emerson, the original occupant, lot 46, 3d Div., later the Ivers Ray place, where he spent the remainder of his days. His w., Abigail (Beard), d. June 19, 1813, a. 73. and he m. (3) Susannah Beard, prob. his sister-in-law, the following year. She d. July 11, 1818, a. 65. He d. Oct. 16, 1828, a. 92. His chn., all by 2d w., were:

9. MARY⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1760; m. Oliver Jackson; res. W.; 8 chn.
10. BETTIE⁷, b. Jan. 6, 1763; m. Nathaniel Sawyer, Jr.; res. Rutland; chn.
11. JOHN⁷, b. Feb. 28, 1766; m. Lucy Graves; res. Gr. and W.
12. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1768; m. Azubah Richardson; res. Vt.; killed by a horse, March, 1802.
13. ELIZABETH⁷, b. 1770; nothing further.
14. ELISHA⁷, b. Aug. 26, 1772; m. twice; res. W.
15. JARVIS⁷, b. prob. 1774; m. Rhoda Darby; res. W., etc.
16. JONAS⁷, b. March 21, 1777; m. Achsah Haynes; res. W.; 7 chn.

[11.] PIERCE, JOHN⁷, s. of the last, m. Lucy, dau. Peter and Azubah (Hager) Graves (?), 1788 (pub. March 10), and res. successively in W., Gr., and Ash. Place and date of d. not found. Chn.:

17. NATHAN⁸, b. Aug. 19, 1788; m., but had no chn.; d. July 31, 1811.
18. LUCY⁸, b. Dec. 8, 1790; m. John Gates; had chn.; d. 1879.
19. PETER⁸, b. Sept. 9, 1792; m. Sophia Anderson; 6 chn.; d. Sept. 24, 1836.
20. ABIGAIL⁸, b. July 28, 1795; m. Joel Oakes; 1 chd.
21. JOHN⁸, b. June 1, 1799; m. twice; res. Bethlehem, N. H.; 7 chn.; d. July 9, 1828.
22. SUSANNAH⁸, b. Feb. 17, 1802; m. John Ball; 1 chd.; d. 1879.
23. JOEL⁸, b. Dec. 19, 1806; m. Hannah F. Rowe; 8 chn.; d. Dec. 12, 1876.
24. BETSEY⁸, b. April 12, 1811; m. Thomas White; 1 chd.; d. Sept., 1838.

[14.] PIERCE, ELISHA⁷, bro. of the last, m. (1) Deborah, dau. Jabez and Anna (Twichell) Partridge of Gr., 1797 (pub. Aug. 12). He lived awhile in Gr., but returning to W., built and occupied the large house half a mile W. of his father's, which was destroyed by fire a few years since. He also erected a sawmill on the small stream in front of his dwelling, where, in connection with his farming, he got out lumber and chair

stock. His wife, Deborah, d. Oct. 22, 1846, and he m. (2) her sr., Cynthia, wid. of Luke Whitney of Gr. He d. April 1, 1858, a. 86, and his surviving wid. d. July 1, 1860, a. 74. Chn.:

- 25. NANCY⁸, b. Nov. 6, 1798; m. Andrew Beard; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 28, 1843.
- 26. AMOS⁸, b. Nov. 8, 1804; m. twice; 5 chn.; d. Aug. 17, 1873.
- 27. ELISHA⁸, b. Dec. 11, 1806; m. twice; res. W., etc. [per. more.]
- 28. ROXANA⁸, b. Feb. 28, 1809; { m. Joshua H. Holden; res. Gr.; 1 chd.,
- 29. DEBORAH⁸, b. Feb. 28, 1809; { twins; } d. March 1, 1809.
- 30. HANNAH⁸, b. March 28, 1812; m. Luther Baker; res. Gr.; d. Oct. 24, 1834.

[15.] PIERCE, JARVIS⁷, sup. bro. of the last, b. —, 1774. He m. Rhoda, dau. Nathan and Abigail (Pierce) Darby in 1794. He was a carpenter by trade, and purchased May 31, 1799, the N. W. corner of the original Bigelow farm, and erected the large dwelling near the parting of the two roads to Gr., in the W. part of the village. March 7, 1807, he sold the premises to Gilman Thurston and prob. left town. Nothing later has been learned of him. The name of only one child is found in the records:

- 31. MARIETTA⁸, b. Dec. 9, 1794, who seems to have d. in 1800.

[16.] PIERCE, JONAS⁷, bro. of the last two, m. Achsah Haynes, 1800 (pub. Feb. 8), and lived on the old homestead. He d. in mid-life, Jan. 17, 1824, a. 46, and his wid. m. (2) Dec. 17, 1830, Levi Fairbanks of Gr. Chn. of Jonas and Achsah:

- 32. BETSEY⁸, b. March 28, 1802; m. John Taylor; res. Preston, N. Y.; 6 chn.
- 33. ACHSAH⁸, b. Dec. 28, 1805; m. John Sawin; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Oct. 17, 1832.
- 34. MARY⁸, b. Nov. 4, 1808; m. John Sawin; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. April 1, 1845.
- 35. JONAS⁸, b. Sept. 12, 1811; m. three times; res. Gr., etc.
- 36. Unnamed⁸, b. prob. 1814; d. Sept., 1815.
- 37. LOENZA⁸, b. Nov. 18, 1816; m. Abram Sawin; 3 chn.
- 38. SYLVESTER K.⁸, b. April 11, 1820; m. twice; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 28, 1888.
- 39. BENJAMIN F.⁸, b. Oct. 12, 1822; m. three times; res. Hub.; 5 chn.; living at Gr.

[27.] PIERCE, ELISHA⁸, son of Elisha⁷, m. June 20, 1833, Thuseba, dau. of Luke and Cynthia (Partridge) Whitney, and set. on the place where his f. res., more recently occupied by his s.-in-law, George K. Ray. (See A. H. No. 35.) Mrs. Pierce d. Jan. 24, 1864, a. 48. Mr. Pierce d. March 2, 1868, a. 62. Chn.:

- 40. MARY F.⁹, b. Dec. 16, 1834; m. George K. Ray; res. Gr.
- 41. LEONARD W.⁹, b. Oct. 29, 1836; m. Laura A. Stoddard, etc.; res. Mich.
- 42. NELSON J.⁹, b. March 3, 1839; m. Mary A. Putney; res. Keene, N. H. (See p. 411.)
- 43. FRANKLIN W.⁹, b. Aug. 29, 1845; d. W., Oct. 16, 1846.
- 44. WILSON F.⁹, b. May 4, 1849; d. July 9, 1879.

45. PIERCE, HARVEY L., relationship to the former, if any, unkn., was s. of Josiah and Polly Pierce of Gr., b. Oct. 22, 1837. He m. Louise J., dau. of Samuel T. and Jane (Wilson) Bruce, April 22, 1863. He is a chair maker by trade and res. in W. Chn.:

- 46. STELLA L., b. Feb. 9, 1864; m. Clark R. Smith, Nov. 3, 1886.
- 47. MABEL J., b. Oct. 4, 1871.

48. PIERCE, JOSEPH, was s. of John and Esther of Lunenburg. He came to W. in his early manhood and worked with Jos. W.

Forbush as tanner and currier for many years, finally succeeding him in the business. He rem. hence to Fg., where he still res. He m. (1) Sept. 27, 1849, Charlotte, dau. of M. S. and Dorcas (Whitman) Forbush, who bore him twin daus. and d. June 29, 1851. The chn., unnamed, lived but a few days. He m. (2) Elmira, dau. of Luther and Mary (Sampson) Barrell, April, 1854, by whom he has had three chn. The name of but one is in the W. rec.:

49. MERRILL, b. April 21, 1857.

POND.

About the year 1650, Daniel Pond¹ came to N. E. and established himself in the town of Dedham, originally named Contentment, becoming the head of a long line of descendants. A considerable branch of the family located at an early date in Wrentham, scions of which went out in all directions to found new homes for themselves and their chn., and to help build up new townships in the wilderness. One of these, Joseph⁵, whose lineage ran back through Ezra⁴, Ezra³, and Robert², to the immigrant, Daniel¹, m. Margaret Pond and res. some years in his native place, but rem. to Hubbardston sometime during the eighties of the last century, a large family accompanying him. He is the connecting link between the Ponds of W. and their more remote ancestry.

I. POND, PRESTON⁶, was s. of Joseph⁵ and Margaret, and was b. Wrentham, Jan. 2, 1779. While yet a lad he went with his parents to Hub., where he spent a considerable portion of his life. He m. April 7, 1802, Hannah, dau. David and Abigail Rice of Pn., settling first in Hub., where all of his chn. were b. On the 11th Oct., 1830, he purchased the H. G. Buttrick (formerly Barnard, but now Simeon L. Bolton) place and soon after took possession of it. A few yrs. later he passed it over to his s., Stillman, and moved to the so-called "Pond House," remaining there till after the d. of his w., which took place July 27, 1855, at the age of 68. His last days were spent with his dau. in Templeton, where he passed away June 30, 1868, a. 89. Chn.:

2. BETSEY¹, b. Feb. 5, 1801; m. Joel Newton; res. Temp.
3. STILLMAN⁷, b. Oct. 20, 1803; m. twice; res. W., etc.
4. ARETHUSA⁷, b. Dec. 14, 1805; m. twice; res. Temp.; 4 chn.; d. 1890.
5. HANNAH⁷, b. Nov. 18, 1807; m. Benjamin Miller, etc.; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 16, 1888.
6. ABIGAIL⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1809; m. George W. Hager; 3 chn.; still living.
7. REUBEN S.⁷, b. May 29, 1812; m. Susan Darby; res. W. and parts unkn.
8. SUMNER⁷, b. Feb., 1815; d. infancy.
9. CHARLES SUMNER⁷, b. Aug. 6, 1818; scalded to death.
10. SEWALL⁷, b. Sept. 18, 1822; d. April, 1823.
11. ADALINE E.⁷, b. Dec. 5, 1825; m. George P. Hawks; res. Temp.; chn.

[3.] POND, STILLMAN⁷, m. Almira Whittemore, Hub., Nov. 1825. He res. for a few yrs. in W. and had sev. chn., but their names have not been found. Went West, became a Morman, and set. at Nauvoo, where his w. d. Himself and chn. started from N. for Salt Lake City when the general migration took place, but most of the chn. d. on the way. So far as kn. he is still living.

PRATT.

One of the early settlers of Plymouth, though not a passenger in the Mayflower, was Joshua Pratt¹, b. in Eng., 1598, whose s., Ephraim², located in E. Sudbury, now Wayland. He had a s., Ephraim³, b. Nov. 30, 1704, who res. for many years in Shrewsbury, but late in life rem. to Shutesbury, where he'd. in May, 1804. It has been claimed by some that he was b. in 1687, and hence attained the wonderful age of 115 years, but Rev. Dr. Summer of Shy., who was familiar with the case, in an article published in the *Mass. Spy*, June 13, 1804, set the matter right. Another Ephraim Pratt⁴, s. of the last, b. Feb. 7, 1728, came to W. with his w., Abiah, ab. 1775 and purchased lands in the west part, establishing himself upon them. In the formation of Gr. ten years later, he was set off to that town, his place being on the back road west of and adjoining the Joseph Beard now — place. His s., Aaron⁵, m. Betsey Warren and had 8 chn., of whom 4 became residents of W.: Betsey, who m. Joseph H. Whitney; Lovisa, who m. Levi Richardson; Susannah, who m. John Mosman; and one s., as follows:

1. PRATT, RUSSELL⁶, was b. in Gr., Nov. 18, 1812. Coming to W. he m. Oct. 28, 1838, Ann, dau. of Hayman and Betsey (Mosman) Wheeler, and set. on the Wheeler place in the north part of the tn., where James Morrell now res. He d. Dec. 18, 1868, a. 56. His wid. d. Ash., May 25, 1876, a. 68. Chn.:

2. JOHN W.⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1842; m. Julia Blackman; res. Charlestown; 2 chn. (See p. 411.)

3. HENRY R.⁸, b. Feb. 25, 1845; d. Jan. 12, 1864.

4. CHARLES H.⁹, b. Nov. 11, 1848; m. Mary G. Sampson; res. Ash.; 1 chd.; 1.

5. PRATT, DAVID, ptge., etc., not traced, came to this town ab. 1770 and purchased lands of Dr. Harvey and others, on and adjoining Bean Porridge Hill, where he erected a dwelling house and res. some years. The site of his buildings is still pointed out by those familiar with the locality. (See A. H. No. 10.) He furnished lumber for a new Sch. House in 1773. In 1778, April 14, he sold 92 acres, with house and barn, to Samuel Whitney, Jr., father of the late Smyrna Whitney, and prob. left town, as nothing more of him appears in the records. By w., Hepzibah, he had:

6. LUTHER, b. Sept. 25, 1772.

7. DAVID, b. July 20, 1774.

PRESCOTT.

At the head of an ancient autograph list of the early proprietors of Lancaster stands the name of John Prescott, who has been appropriately called the founder of that town. He was the s. of Ralph and Ellen Prescott of Lancashire, Eng., where he was b. ab. 1604. When 25 years old, Jan. 21, 1629, he m. Mary Platts, "a Yorkshire lass." He is sup. to have been a supporter of the Cromwellian policy in English affairs, and to have left his native land to escape religious persecution. He came to Boston in 1640 *via* Barbadoes, and took up lands at Watertown, where he first made a home. Three years later, he was enrolled as one of the Nashaway company, and in 1745 or 6 rem. to the banks of the stream which gave to that body its name. On his way to his new home he lost his horse in attempting to ford Sudbury river, and a week later his wife and child came near being drowned at the same place, circumstances which led to the building

of the first bridge across that stream by the Mass. Colony; though Gov. Winthrop was disposed to regard them as judgments from Heaven against him for certain heretical or uncanonical doctrines he was understood to entertain in the direction of larger religious liberties than even the Puritan dissent contemplated.

John Prescott¹ had 8 chn., 5 of whom prob. were b. before he left the mother country. Of these, John² was bap. at Halifax Parish, Eng., April 1, 1635, and so was scarcely ten years of age when the family located at Lanc. He m. Sarah Hayward and had John³, b. 1672, who may have been f. of another John⁴, whose w., Mary White, bore him a s., Jonathan⁵, July 4, 1761. The latter m. Ruth, dau. of John Glazier, first of this town but subsequently of Gr., in which place he settled, opening the first store in what is now the central village, and serving as town clerk for sev. years. He removed to Boston, where he spent his last days.

I. PRESCOTT, BUSHROD W.⁶, s. of Jonathan⁵ and Ruth (Glazier), m. Melinda, dau. of Wm. Wiswall. He resided in Gr. for some years, but subsequently came to W., building and occupying the house half a mile from Whitman village, on the road to Beech Hill. He d. at date unkn. Chn.:

2. MARY W.⁷, b. Aug. 8, 1825; d. June 22, 1842.

3. SARAH G.⁷, b. Feb. 28, 1827.

4. RUTH⁷, b. May 18, 1829; d. March 15, 1845.

5. JONATHAN H.⁷, b. March 1, 1831; d. June 9, 1844.

6. ELIZABETH⁷, b. April 10, 1833. 7. NANCY⁷, b. Feb. 17, 1837.

I. PROCTOR, EDMUND, s. of Edmund and Elizabeth (Goodrich) Proctor, b. Lunenburg, March 6, 1819, m. Mary F. Harris of Barre, April 9, 1844. They res. first in Lunenburg, then in Ash., but came to W. ab. 1852 and located on the Charles Sawyer place, near No. Common. He was a man of marked character and many eccentricities, but a model farmer. His singular individuality appears in the names given his chn., as is seen below. He d. Nov. 11, 1890, a. 71. His w. d. Jan. 11, 1870, a. 51. Their family were:

2. AUGUSTUS HOWARD, b. Lunenburg, Jan. 30, 1845; m. and set. Ill.; dec'd.

3. ALBER HAMLIN, b. Ash., June 23, 1850; lives W. unm.

4. ALSON HOWS, b. W., Oct. 22, 1852; m. and lives Chicago; no chn.

5. ALDEN HERMON, b. Oct. 3, 1853.

6. AMMER HALE, b. June 25, 1855; m. and lives Gr.; 1 chd.

7. ANGIA HOLBROOK, b. Jan. 31, 1857.

8. ABBOT HERD, b. April 25, 1862. 9. AMBOY HARLEM, b. April 6, 1864.

PUFFER.

On the 24th Feb., 1640, the town of Boston granted to George Poffer¹, for himself, wife, and 3 chn., twenty acres of land at Mt. Wallaston, afterward Braintree, but now in Quincy, upon which he permanently located. Of his two sons, James² remained on the paternal homestead, while Matthias² went to Mendon as one of the first proprietors and settlers there. His wife and one son, however, being slain in the attack on the town by the Indians, July 14, 1675, he withdrew to his native place, where he continued to reside through life. His dau., Esther³, m. Wm. Sumner, and became the gt.-gt.-grandmother of the distinguished Charles Sumner, one of the noblest of the sons of Mass.

James Poffer², otherwise Puffer, had a s. Jabez³, b. 1672, who went to Sudbury and built him there a home. He was f. of Jabez⁴, b. ab. 1705, who

m. (1) Thankful Haynes and (2) ———, and had a large family of chn., one of whom, by the 2d w., was Rev. Reuben Puffer, D. D., of Berlin.

I. PUFFER, JOSIAH⁵, s. of Jabez⁴ and Thankful (Haynes) Puffer, was b. Sudbury, March 21, 1736. He m. Nov., 1759, Mary, dau. of Jacob and Experience Read, her f. being the gd.son of Dr. Philip Read, an eminent physician of Concord in the early days of its history. Josiah Puffer came to W. ab. the time of its incorporation, 1759, and set. on lot No. 62 (the recent Cephas W. Bush farm), in the So. part of the town.

Mr. Puffer became an active, influential, and highly esteemed inhabitant of the town, holding many local public positions requiring good judgment, integrity, and executive ability. He also, in 1787, 1790, and 1791, represented his fellow-citizens in the Gen. Ct. With the exception, perhaps, of Rev. Mr. Rice, he was prob. the best educated person in the community during his generation, and very likely excelled him in some branches of scholarship. He is said to have been a remarkable mathematician, applying his knowledge in this particular to the science of Astronomy, of which he was very fond, whereby he was able to calculate eclipses and other movements of the heavenly bodies with wonderful facility and precision. He was thoroughly conversant with parliamentary tactics, and with the proper modes of governing deliberative assemblies. He bought, in 1805, the Pel. Everett tavern stand, near Hobart Raymond's, and while there, on the 9th of July the following yr., suddenly d. at the a. of 70. His wid. survived him 25 years, passing away July 19, 1831, a. 90. Chn.:

2. ISAAC⁶, b. Jan. 24, 1761; m. Sally Merriam; went to N. Y.; had chn. and d.
3. POLLY⁶, b. April 5, 1763; m. John Dunn; res. W.; 6 chn.
4. JABEZ⁶, b. June 14, 1765; prob. d. young. [1846.
5. EUNICE⁶, b. Aug. 7, 1767; m. Nathan Whitney, res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Feb. 22,
6. THANKFUL⁶, b. April 17, 1769; m. Wm. Edgell; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Feb., 1857?
7. LUSENA⁶, b. May 27, 1771; m. Asa Merriam; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. Sept. 11, 1851.
8. SAMUEL R.⁶, b. Oct. 21, 1773; m. twice; res. W.
9. RUTH⁶, b. March 1, 1776; m. three times; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. March 24, 1829.
10. SALLY⁶, b. March 22, 1780?; m. Asa Bigelow; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Sept., 1811.
11. ASAH⁶, b. Dec. 20, 1781; m. Jerusha Rand; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. March 20, 1835. [10. 1846.
12. BETSEY⁶, b. March 19, 1788; m. Josiah Wheeler; res. W.; 10 chn.; d. Aug.

[8.] PUFFER, SAMUEL READ⁶, s. of the last, had the *Read* dropped from his name by Act of Leg., 1827. He m. (1) Polly, dau. of Nathan and Mehitable (Cowe) Wood, Nov. 6, 1801, and succeeded to the homestead owned by his f. A quiet, unobtrusive, industrious man of domestic tastes, an upright citizen, faithful in the discharge of all the duties of life. His w. was a woman of literary accomplishments, well read, and prob. better informed upon political issues and matters of public policy than any woman in town, — than a great majority of the men. She d. March 27, 1843, a. 60, and Mr. Puffer m. (2) Elizabeth, wid. of Ezra Brooks, in Nov., 1844. He d. March 22, 1854, a. 80. His second w. d. in 1858. Chn.:

13. MERRICK⁷, b. Feb. 9, 1803; m. Mary Mentz; 4 chn.; d. Jan., 1858.
14. MARY⁷, b. April 20, 1805; m. Samuel H. Evans; res. Chelsea; 4 chn., of whom one, Edward, grad. at Harvard Univ. and was Cong. clergyman; living.
15. ELMIRA⁷, b. Sept. 10, 1807; m. Samuel Merriam, etc.; res. W.; 6 chn.; living.
16. JOSIAH⁷, b. Jan. 2, 1810; m. twice; res. W.
17. MEHITABLE⁷, b. Jan. 1, 1812; m. Wm. P. Bigelow; res. Holden; 1 chd.; l.
18. JOEL W.⁷, b. Dec. 25, 1813; d. Dec. 22, 1828.
19. SARAH⁷, b. Sept., 1815; m. N. S. Hubbard; res. Brimfield; 3 chn., of whom one, John, is a lawyer in Chicago; d. April, 1889.
20. NANCY⁷, b. Nov., 1817; m. R. W. Twichell; res. W., etc.; 2 chn.; d. June 17, 1879.
21. SAMUEL A.⁷, b. April 11, 1819; d. Feb. 20, 1825.
21. CAROLINE A.⁷, b. Feb. 28, 1822; m. Samuel Whitney, etc.; 4 chn., of whom one, William S., grad. Yale Coll. 1877; resides Boston.
22. MARTHA R.⁷, b. 1825; m. Amos S. Taylor; res. Boston; 3 chn.; living.

[11.] PUFFER, ASAH⁶, bro. of the last, m. Jerusha, dau. of Zachariah and Jerusha (Sawyer) Rand, Dec. 15, 1817. He owned and occupied the farm on the east side of Meetinghouse Pond, now represented by F. A. Taylor. He d. March 20, 1835, a. 53, and his wid. m. (2) Col. Thomas Wheeler of Worc. She d. Nov. 19, 1866, a. 79. Chn.:

23. PORTER F.⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1809; d. March 16, 1828.
24. CLINTON⁷, b. March 19, 1813; m. and res. Woonsocket, R. I.; sev. chn.; d. Feb. 7, 1893.
25. DAMARIS⁷, b. March 24, 1821; d. June 26, 1835.

[16.] PUFFER, JOSIAH⁷, s. of Samuel⁶ and Polly, m. (1) Emeline, dau. of Joel and Thirza (Wheeler) Page, Sept., 1834. An enterprising, public-spirited citizen, interested in military affairs, and somewhat given to speculation in real estate, etc., in which he was fairly successful. An earnest friend of Temperance, he suffered some personal indignities on account of his activity in behalf of the cause. He res. some yrs. in Harvard, where he owned and run a hotel, but d. W. His w., Emeline, d. Dec. 21, 1878, a. 65, and he m. a second time. He d. Jan. 10, 1881, a. 70. Chn.:

26. MERRICK H.⁸, b. July 1, 1835; m. Melissa E. Everett; res. W., etc.; 5 chn.
27. GEORGE G.⁸, b. Oct. 23, 1838; m. Ellen Willard; res. Ayer; 1 chd.
28. WILLIAM A.⁸, b. July 20, 1843; m. Sarah Barnard; res. Harvard; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 30, 1887.

[26.] PUFFER, MERRICK H.⁸, s. of Josiah⁷ and Emeline, m. Melissa, dau. of Wm. S. and Susan (Beaman) Everett of Pn., and has res. in this tn. and elsewhere. For some years he had charge of the W. hotel, conducting it successfully on strictly temperance principles, and to the great satisfaction of all intelligent friends of public order and the general well-being. In this undertaking he had a helpmeet indeed in his worthy and efficient wife. They left here for Gr., but are now res. in Leom. Chn.:

29. ADA E.⁹, b. July 16, 1862; m. Levi Cook; res. Leom.; 2 chn.
30. FREDDIE E.⁹, b. Jan. 8, 1865; d. Nov. 24, 1874.
31. SUSIE L.⁹, b. Oct. 31, 1871; d. April 4, 1874.
32. CARRIE B.⁹, b. Feb. 17, 1875.
33. EMMA B.⁹, b. March. 27, 1882.

34. PUFFER, JONAS⁶, s. of James⁵ and Submit (Goddard) Puffer, was b. Sudbury, July 6, 1766. His f., James⁵, was bro. of Josiah⁵ before mentioned. Coming to W. he bought of Daniel Sawyer, Dec. 6, 1792, lot No. 59, 2d Div., situated in the valley of Whitman River, where his s. James⁷ more recently lived, and soon after took possession of it. He m. (1) Mary Damon, who bore him 1 chd. and d. without farther issue. His second w. was Lucy, dau. of David and Sarah Forbush of Acton. He d. Feb. 21, 1813, a. 47. His wid. d. Sept. 10, 1829, a. 65. Chn.:

35. LYDIA⁷, b. June 6, 1789; m. Charles Miles; res. Concord.

36. POLLY⁷, b. Dec. 27, 1792; m. S. Marsh, Jr.; res. W., etc.; chn.; d. Dec. 21, 1874.

37. STEPHEN⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1796; m. Sarah Marsh; d. April 23, 1867. (See below.)

38. JAMES⁷, b. Jan. 9, 1798; m. Lucy Jones; res. W.

[38.] PUFFER, JAMES⁷, the last mentioned, m. Lucy, dau. of Wm. and Susannah Jones of Lunenburg, in 1823 (pub. March 14), and succeeded his father in the ownership and occupancy of the homestead, Scrabble Hollow. He was a very unassuming man, seeking no emoluments of office or station, but one of the town's most capable, worthy, and trusted citizens. He served on the Board of Selectmen 6 years. He was an earnest, sincere Methodist, one of the prime movers and leading contributors in the building of the Methodist meetinghouse, and after its abandonment a faithful supporter of the church and society of that faith in Ash. He adorned his Chn. profession with a Chn. life. He d. March 17, 1885, a. 87. His wife followed him three days later, March 20, a. 89. Chn.:

39. GEORGE W.⁸, b. Jan. 22, 1825; d. unm. Aug. 22, 1845; a young man of promise.

40. LUCY ANN⁸, b. Aug. 25, 1828; m. Daniel C. Miles; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Feb. 9, 1869.

41. NANCY S.⁸, b. May 23, 1833.

42. MARY E.⁸, b. April 25, 1835; m. Eliot N. Choate; res. Fg.; chn.; dec'd.

43. JAMES E.⁸, b. March 20, 1841; d. at Gettysburgh, July 3, 1863. (See Chap. XX.)

Stephen Puffer⁷ (37), bro. of James, studied for the ministry. Joined N. E. Methodist Conf., 1823, and preached 44 years. He m. Sally, dau. of Samuel and Sarah Marsh, Oct. 3, 1815. He d. Lunenburg, April 21, 1867, a. 71.

1. QUINCY, JOSEPH, s. of Joseph and Mary, further lineage untraced, was b. Hollis, Me., in 1842, and came thence to W. ab. 1880. He m. Dec. 16, 1882, A. Louise, dau. of John and Caroline (Phillips) Foskett, and res. with her aunt, Wid. Abigail (Foskett) Knight, in the Doty house on Main st., Central village. He is a skilled gardener and horticulturist, as well as farmer, finding employment upon his own lands and among his neighbors and townsfolk, as their needs and tastes require. Chn.:

2. EDNA L., b. Sept. 9, 1884.

3. HUBERT J., b. Dec. 18, 1887.

RAND.

The lineage of this family has not been fully verified in the earlier generations, but is deemed substantially correct as herein represented. A Mr. Rand¹—Christian name not ascertained—was in Charlestown, 1635. He

was prob. the f. of Robert² of Lynn, whose s. Robert³ had Zachariah⁴, all res. of L. Thomas⁵, son of the last named, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Ebenezer Parker of Reading, and 2d cousin of Nathan Parker, sometime res. of this town. He set. first in the place of his nativity, but soon moved to Salem, thence to Woburn, and finally to Shrewsbury, where he spent the last years of his earthly pilgrimage. Two of his sons located in W., where one of them attained distinction in certain directions, as noted below and elsewhere.

I. RAND, JOHN⁶, was s. of Thomas⁵ and Elizabeth (Parker) Rand, b. Lynn, Oct. 14, 1722. Upon becoming of age he lived at Bolton for a time, whence he rem. to this town. On the 4th of April, 1747, he purchased lot No. 50, represented by the dwelling formerly occupied by Levi Graves on No. Common, of Benj. Wilson, who prob. made the first improvements on the premises. He was established on the place in 1751, in which year, presumably, he m. Elizabeth, dau. of Dea. Joseph and Abigail (Shuttuck) Holden. He was a man of unusual natural ability, with great power of administration, active in public affairs and much honored at home and abroad. He held numerous places of public trust, having been a member of the Standing Com. of the Propriety, Selectman repeatedly, and 3 years Treasurer, besides acting frequently as Moderator of town meetings. He was also much interested and very active in the church, as the records of ecclesiastical matters plainly attest. He took a leading part also in military concerns. He received a commission as Capt. of a local military company in 1771. Upon the breaking out of the Rev. he entered zealously into the service of the Colonies, and was promoted to the Colonelship of a Worc. Co. Regiment, June 24, 1779, and assigned a position at Claverack, in the valley of the Hudson. (For further particulars, see Chap. on the Rev. War.) His w., Elizabeth (Holden) Rand, having borne him three chn., d. Dec. 14, 1756, at the age of 26, and he m. (2), in 1766, Tabitha (Hart), wid. of Jonathan Stedman, who bore him 6 more, as shown below. He d. Dec. 11, 1789, a. 67, and his wid. m. (3), sometime in 1800, — Gould, who d. very soon. She was taxed for the last time as a non-resident in 1808. Chn. of Col. John Rand:

2. ZACHARIAH⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1752; m. Jerusha Sawyer; res. W., etc.
3. ABIGAIL⁷, b. date not found; d. Oct. 8, 1756.
4. ELIZABETH⁷, b. date not found; d. Dec. 14, 1756.
5. ELIZABETH⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1767; m. Phineas Whitney; res. W.
6. MARY⁷, b. Dec. 20, 1769; m. John Cowee; res. Chittenden, Vt.
7. JOHN⁷, b. Dec. 3, 1772; m. Dorcas Hartwell; res. Worcester, N. Y.
8. THOMAS⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1774; m. Polly Foster, 1802; nothing more.
9. WILLIAM⁷, b. July 13, 1776; m. Lucy Jackson; res. W., etc.; d. 1809.
10. SAMUEL S.⁷, b. March 16, 1778; d. April 23, 1781.

[2.] RAND, ZACHARIAH⁷, s. of the last, m. Jerusha, dau. of Nathaniel and Jerusha (Flint) Sawyer, June 22, 1778, and set. on lot No. 7, 2d Div., recently owned by Robert McTaggart, which he bought of John Edgell, the first occupant, April 15, 1776. He was a prominent man in town for some years, serv-

ing repeatedly as Constable and Collector, but for some alleged malfeasance in office he left the place in 1807, and located at Pittsfield, Vt., where it is sup. he d., but at a date unkn. His w. d. in 1844. Chn.:

11. ASA W.⁸, b. March 7, 1779; m. Mehitabel Spalding; res. W.
12. PHEBE⁸, b. Nov. 24, 1781; m. Jonas W. Whitney; res. W.; d. Dec. 4, 1835.
13. NATHANIEL⁸, b. July 24, 1785; m. three times; res. W. and Lanc.; 5 chn.; d. July, 1856.
14. JERUSHA FLINT⁸, b. May 14, 1787; m. Asahel Puffer; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 19, 1866.
15. TAMER S.⁸, b. Sept. 7, 1789.
16. LUCINDA⁸, b. Sept. 24, 1791; d. July, 1870.
17. SUSANNAH⁸, b. Oct. 18, 1793.
18. BETSEY H.⁸, b. Oct. 16, 1795.
19. JOHN S.⁸, b. July 20, 1799; d. Nov. 19, 1864.
20. EBENEZER B.⁸, b. Dec. 4, 1802; d. Jan. 3, 1856.
21. RACHEL D.⁸, b. June 3, 1805.

[9.] RAND, WILLIAM⁷, bro. of the last, m. Lucy, dau. of Sebez and Elizabeth (Bacon) Jackson, Nov. 29, 1798. After a brief res. in W. they rem. to Rutland, Vt., where he was living in 1809. No further report. They had in W. 1 chd, prob. others afterward. His name was:

22. JACOB⁸, b. Feb. 27, 1799.

[II.] RAND, ASA WILLIAMS⁸, s. of Zachariah⁷, m. Sept. 14, 1800, Mehitabel, dau. of Joseph and Bridget (Crosby) Spalding, and set. on the ancestral estate, No. Common. He opened a country store on the premises and run it for many years, and also, for a time, kept a public house, in which undertakings his s., Crosby⁹, was temporarily associated with him. He d. March 4, 1857, a. 78. Mehitabel, his wid., d. 2 years later, March 21, 1860, a. 84. Chn.:

23. CROSBY⁹, b. Feb. 25, 1802; m. Fanny King; res. W.
24. ASA⁹, b. April 9, 1804; d. Nov. 5, 1823. [1830.
25. MELINDA⁹, b. Dec. 1, 1806; m. Reuben Raymond; res. W.; chn.; d. May 12,
26. CLARACEY⁹, b. Feb. 11, 1810; m. Asahel Smith.
27. EPHRAIM H.⁹, b. May 5, 1812; d. unkn.
28. ELLEN M.⁹, b. Feb. 28, 1815; d. March 19, 1840.

[23.] RAND, CROSBY⁹, oldest s. of the last, m. Fanny King of Boston at Winchester, N. H., April 1, 1825. He was a stage-driver, but for a time was associated with his father as above stated. He d. when yet a young man, July 21, 1831, a. 29, and his wid. m. (2) Levi Sawyer, a 2d w., but they had no chn. Crosby and Fanny Rand had:

29. Unknown¹⁰, b. 182-; d. Feb. 22, 1833.

30. RAND, HANANIAH⁶, bro. of Col. John⁶ (1) was b. at Woburn, July 26, 1739. He came to W. ab. 1762 and located on lot 72, one fourth of a mile E. of the recent residence of Dr. Liverpool. There he lived some years, selling to James Bowers in 1783, since which date no trace of him has been found. He m. Martha Osgood of Lancaster, Nov. 27, 1764, but no chn. are reported.

31. RAND, THOMAS⁷, s. of Thomas⁶ and Esther (Carter) Rand, was b. Weston, March 4, 1758. He was prob. of the same stock as the preceding, being, as is sup., a descendant of the Charlestown settler, through the line of Robert², Thomas³, John⁴, Benjamin⁵, Thomas⁶, making him of the seventh generation on these shores. His step-mother was Elizabeth Estabrook, sr. of John of this town, which may have been the occasion of his coming here. He was a man of great enterprise and practical business ability, which he turned to good account while a res. in the place. He purchased in 1782 the greater part of lot No. 112, at the head of Wachusettville, and three-fourths of the sawmill standing upon it, and at once began to improve the unused water power of the stream, building a grist-mill, a fulling mill, and trip hammer shop on the premises, and otherwise promoting the industrial interests of the community. (See Sec. on Wachusettville, pages 328, 329.) He m. (1) Anna Stratton, May 6, 1785, who bore him 2 chn. and d. March 20, 1787, and (2) Elizabeth, dau. Daniel and Thankful (Bellows) Hemenway of Fram., Nov. 10, 1788, who bore him while living in W. two more. He d. in mid-life, but whether here or elsewhere does not appear. His wid. m. (2) a Mr. Keyes of Princeton, where she spent her remaining days. All that has been learned of the chn. is given herewith:

32. ISAAC⁸, b. Aug. 11, 1785; d. young.

33. SALLY⁸, b. Nov. 13, 1786; d. young.

34. ISAAC⁸, b. Nov. 22, 1789.

35. SALLY⁸, b. Feb. 5, 1791.

RAY. All efforts to trace the lineage of this family have proved fruitless, and even the ptge. and place and date of b. of the first of the name in W. have not been ascertained. This was

1. RAY, ASA, sup. to have been b. in Marlboro' ab. 1740. According to the Court records of Worc. Co., he came to this town from Princeton. He purchased Nov. 18, 1762, lot 22, 2d Div., where his gd.s., Anson, now res., of Samuel Damon of Reading, and prob. took immediate possession of it. He m., before settling here, Mary —, who is reputed to have been a woman of nerve and courage, skillful in the use of her musket, and experienced in killing bears, as they prowled about the premises in early days. The date of Mr. Ray's d. is unrecorded. Mrs. Ray d. March 24, 1832, at the advanced age of 90. Chn.:

2. RACHEL, b. Dec. 11, 1761; m. Wm. Fenno; res. Gr.; 1 chd.

3. ELIJAH, b. April 21, 1764; d. young.

4. SYBEL, b. Aug. 17, 1766; m. Ephraim Temple; res. Gr.; 4 chn.

5. HEMAN, b. June 18, 1768; m. Rachel Laws; res. W.

6. PERSIS, b. Aug. 28, 1770; m. James Holden of Gr.; res. unkn.

7. LYDIA, b. March 8, 1773; m. Wm. Fenno; res. Gr.; 6 chn.

8. MOLLY, b. Aug. 17, 1775; no record found.

9. ASA, b. Dec. 15, 1777; d. Jan. 9, 1785.

10. ELIJAH, b. Dec. 7, 1784; went to Maine.

[5.] RAY, HEMAN, s. of the last, m. Rachel, dau. Thomas and Hannah Laws, and remained upon the homestead of his

father. He d. Aug. 21, 1839, a. 71. She d. at unknown date. Chn.:

11. RACHEL, b. April 18, 1794; m. Asaph Gates; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. July 25, 1859.
12. HEMAN, b. April 9, 1796; m. Lydia Richardson; 5 chn.; res. Gr.
13. ASA, b. June 10, 1798; m. Susannah Gates; res. Gr.; 7 chn.
14. AMOS, b. March 2, 1800; m. Sarah Kemp; res. W. and Gr.; 5 chn.
15. CYNTHIA, b. Dec. 14, 1801; unm.; d. Jan. 21, 1893.
16. IVERS, b. Nov. 4, 1803; m. Clarissa Gates; res. W.
17. ELVIRA, b. March 14, 1807; m. Lyman F. Wood; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
18. ALMON, b. May 22, 1808; m. Olive Kemp; res. Gr.; 5 chn.
19. ANSON, b. Aug. 8, 1810; m. Emily Jackson; res. W.

[16.] RAY, IVERS, son of the last, m. in 1827 (pub. April 21), Clarissa, dau. Nathan and Abigail (Knowlton) Gates of Gr., and settled on the John Pierce place, in the W. part of the tn. Mr. Ray d. Feb. 21, 1881, a. 77. His w. d. Dec. 17, 1868, a. 62. Chn.:

20. LORINDA, b. Sept. 30, 1828; m. Ephraim S. Bowker; res. Gr.
21. GEORGE K., b. April 7, 1832; m. Mary F. Pierce; res. Gr.
22. CALVIN W., b. April 25, 1835; d. unm. Nov. 18, 1866.
23. JASON A., b. Dec. 8, 1837; m. Harriet M. Patridge; res. Gr. (See p. 411.)
24. ALFRED W., b. May 2, 1839; m. Elizabeth A. Jackson.
25. FRANCIS N., b. May 27, 1840. (See p. 419)

[19.] RAY, ANSON, youngest s. of Heman and Rachel (Laws) Ray, settled upon the ancestral estate where he still resides. He m. Feb. 4, 1834, Emily, dau. of Josiah and Nancy (Bolton) Jackson, who d. Feb. 22, 1883, a. 70. There chn. were:

26. NANCY, b. Feb. 18, 1837; m. Joseph Seaver; res. W.
27. MARY R., b. Aug. 8, 1839; m. Alonzo Russell; res. Gr.
28. HIRAM, b. April 3, 1845; m. Emmergene Howe; res. W.
29. HELEN, b. April 3, 1845; m. Eugene Gates; res. W.
30. EDWIN, b. May 11, 1847; m. Etta Murdock; res. Gr.

[28] RAY, HIRAM, s. of Anson and Emily, m. Emmergene, dau. of J. P. and Maria Howe, Gr., Nov. 27, 1872. After a brief res. in Gr. they returned to W., and set. on the paternal homestead. Chn.:

31. WILLIAM P., b. April 14, 1875.
32. FREDDIE J., b. Dec. 6, 1877.
33. MABEL L., b. April 26, 1888.

RAYMOND.

Three brothers, Richard¹, William¹, and John Raymond¹, came to this country, prob. from Eng., ab. 1630, and located in Salem, where they were living in 1634. Of the next generation, the history of the family published a few years since gives no information, and nothing has been learned from other sources. Early in the 18th century Jonathan Raymond³, presumably grandson of one of the above named, rem. from Beverly to Lexington with his w., Charity, and several chn. Among these was Jonathan⁴, b. Feb. 27, 1702, from whom and his w. Hepzibah the older branch of the family in W. sprang.

I. RAYMOND, JONATHAN⁵, s. of the last mentioned, was b. in Lex., Sept. 17, 1734, as stated in Hudson's history of that town, though the work alluded to makes the date Nov. 13,

1735. He m. Oct. 4, 1756, Susannah, dau. of Joseph and Hannah White of the same place. Her bro. Ebenezer was f. of Jonas, more recently a citizen of W. After res. in Lex. a few years they rem. to W., and located upon lot No. 56, where he built a house and res. during the remainder of his life. The place was in the east part of the town, on a back road leading to the R. R. Station, and is now owned by Albert Howard. The original house stood some distance S. E. of the present dwelling, as the cellar, still to be seen, clearly shows. Many were the privations and trials endured by this family in the wilderness home. When the husband enlisted in the army of the Rev. and left for the field of active service, his w. undertook the management of the farm, herself and her oldest chn., who were daus., working in the fields to obtain the necessities of life. More than this she could not do. The taxes on the farm went unpaid, and her cows were taken to liquidate the claim. At another time, for a similar neglect, she was sent to jail, where she remained until the authorities, influenced either by feelings of humanity or by economical considerations, caused her to be set at liberty. Mr. Raymond d. bef. 1784. His w., Susannah, lived to be 90 years of age, going to her grave in Feb., 1825. Their chn. were:

2. SUSANNAH⁶, b. March 28, 1757; d. unm. in Sudbury, 1795. [1822.
3. MARY⁶, b. Nov. 17, 1759; m. Abijah Harrington, Lex.; no chn.; d. Feb. 27,
4. HEPEZIBAH⁶, b. Dec. 2, 1761; m. Salmon (or Solomon) Whitney, Harvard.
5. REBECCA⁶, b. Jan. 31, 1764; m. Joseph Foster, Lex.
6. BETSEY⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1766; m. Jonas Whitney; res. W.
7. JONATHAN⁶, b. May 21, 1768; m. Patty Downs; res. W.
8. JOHN⁶, b. May 12, 1770; m. Elizabeth Walton; res. W., etc.
9. JOSEPH⁶, b. Aug. 12, 1772; m. Sarah Howe; res. Warren, Vt., etc.; 9 chn.; d. Aug. 8, 1852.
10. NATHAN⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1774; m. Mary Clark; res. W. [Sept. 29, 1884.
11. ISAAC⁶, b. Dec. 24, 1776; m. Charity Sawyer; res. So. Boston; 5 chn.; d.
12. EBENEZER⁶, b. March 29, 1782; m. Rebecca Graves; set. Warren, Vt.

[7.] RAYMOND, JONATHAN⁶, s. of the last, m. Patty Downs of Fg., 1795 (pub. Jan. 26), and succeeded to the ownership and occupancy of lot No. 56. He d. Jan. 31, 1823, a. 54. His w. d. at date unkn. Chn.:

13. JOSEPH⁷, b. March 15, 1796; m. Melinda Whitney; res. W., etc.
14. POLLY⁷, b. July 21, 1798; m. Aaron Whitney; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Sept. 11, 1850.
15. PATTY⁷, b. Jan. 24, 1801; m. Ira Chase; res. Newton; d. Oct. 25, 1846.
16. REUBEN⁷, b. May 21, 1803; m. Melinda Rand; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 19, 1830.
17. JONATHAN⁷, b. May 29, 1806; m. Catharine Holt; res. Ill.; 5 chn.; d. July 10, 1884.
18. SUSAN⁷, b. Jan. 27, 1809; m. Reed Merriam; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Oct. 25, 1833.
19. SARAH⁷, b. Sept. 10, 1812; d. Aug. 2, 1813.
20. GEORGE⁷, b. April 4, 1816; m. Mary Parker; res. W.

[8.] RAYMOND, JOHN⁶, bro. of the last, m. Aug. 29, 1799, Elizabeth, dau. of Jacob and Elizabeth (Judkins) Walton. He lived in town some years, was engaged in millwrighting and manufacturing, but ab. 1804 rem. to Warren, Vt., where he d. Dec. 29, 1818, a. 48. Date of w.'s death unascertained. Chn.:

21. ELIZABETH J.⁷, b. March 19, 1801.
22. JACOB W.⁷, b. Dec. 20, 1802.
23. JOHN⁷, b. June 24, 1804; d. Nov. 22, 1818, at Warren, Vt.
24. HARRIET B.⁷, b. May 6, 1806.
25. HANNIBAL⁷, b. June 12, 1808; d. Jan. 15, 1819.
26. MILTON⁷, b. May 21, 1810; d. Jan. 23, 1813.
27. FARWELL M.⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1812.

[10.] RAYMOND, NATHAN⁶, another s. of Jonathan (1) and Susannah, known as "Major" Raymond, having attained that rank in the State Militia, m. Mary (Polly), dau. of Eli and Lois (Stone) Clark of Hub., March 2, 1803. He lived for a time on the Sebez Jackson place, near the R. R. Station, a part of which he owned, but afterwards located on the Capt. Edmund Bemis farm, lying east of the town meadows, where his s.-in-law, Willard Battles, more recently res. He was gifted by nature with a strong and vigorous mind, had much force of character, and entered into public affairs with the spirit of a faithful and patriotic citizen. He rendered good service on the Board of Selectmen, and on committees requiring good judgment and discretion. He d. Nov. 8, 1850, a. 75. His wid. survived him 10 yrs., passing on July 23, 1860, a. 80. Their chn. were:

28. NATHAN⁷, b. Dec. 16, 1803; d. Dec. 26, 1804.
29. CYNTHIA⁷, b. June 27, 1805; m. Timothy Fessenden; 4 chn.; d. April 13, 1841.
30. NATHAN⁷, b. Aug. 8, 1808; cooper by trade; d. unm. May 29, 1884. [1883.]
31. ELVIRA⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1809; m. Samuel Flint; res. Hub.; 8 chn.; d. March 28,
32. ABIJAH H.⁷, b. Jan. 15, 1811; m. Mary Goodnow; res. W.
33. MILTON⁷, b. June 29, 1812; m. Nancy Barrett; res. W.
34. SOLON⁷, b. June 13, 1816; m. Roxa Allen; res. W.
35. ELIZA⁷, b. April 30, 1819; m. Willard Battles; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 5, 1886.

[13.] RAYMOND, JOSEPH⁷, s. of Jonathan⁶ and Patty (Downs) Raymond, m. Nov. 20, 1823, Melinda, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Stearns) Whitney. They res. many years on the old homestead, but, selling out, rem. to Hub. He d. Sept. 25, 1857, a. 61. He was an intelligent, worthy citizen, much interested in popular education, and serving on the Sch. Com. several yrs. bef. leaving town. His first w., Melinda, d. in Hub., March 23, 1847, a. 45, and he m. (2) Wid. Betsey (Wheeler) Murdock, who d. Sept. 17, 1872. Chn. b. W. were:

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| 36. ALFRED W. ⁸ , b. Sept. 22, 1824. | 37. MELINDA E. ⁸ , b. Nov. 12, 1826. |
| 38. JOSEPH D. ⁸ , b. Feb. 17, 1828. | 39. REUBEN S. ⁸ , b. May 18, 1830. |
| 40. SUSAN W. ⁸ , b. Oct. 28, 1831. | 41. HENRY C. H. ⁸ , b. July 12, 1840. |

[16.] RAYMOND, REUBEN⁷, bro. of the last, m. in 1826 (pub. Oct. 9), Melinda, dau. of Asa W. and Mehitabel (Spalding) Rand. But they were both destined to an early grave, he dying Feb. 19, 1830, a. 27; and she, May 10, of the same year, a. 25. But 1 chd. is reported:

42. ASA W.⁸, b. April 15, 1827; m. Harriet Geager; 3 chn.

[20.] RAYMOND, GEORGE⁷, bro. of the last, a carpenter by trade, m. Mary, dau. of Dana Parker of Hub., May 5, 1842. He built the ho. on the Pn. road, where Levi Jackson recently

lived, and there he spent most of his remaining days. He d. May 27, 1885, a. 69. His w. d. Sept 11, 1880, a. 59. Chn., so far as found:

43. MARY J.⁸, b. May 2, 1843; m. John S. Williams; res. Hudson; sev. chn.; d. April 4, 1870.
44. GEORGE F.⁸, b. Aug. 16, 1844; d. Dec. 26, 1844.
45. ELVIRA M.⁸, b. Nov. 11, 1845; m. Charles S. Smith; res. Stg.; 5 chn.
46. GEORGE F.⁸, b. Aug. 16, 1849; dec'd.
47. SUSAN M.⁸, b. July 18, 1851; m. Wm. H. Barber; res. Keene, N. H.; 4 chn.
48. JOSEPH L.⁸, b. June 18, 1856; m. Clara L. Miller; res. W.

[32.] RAYMOND, ABIJAH H.⁷, s. of Major Nathan⁶ and Mary (Clark) Raymond, m. Mary M., dau. of Daniel and Polly (Belding) Goodnow of Sullivan, N. H., in 1853, and located at the Four Corners, one-third mile north of his birthplace. He came into possession of the "Raymond" sawmill near by, and run it for many years. He also was engaged in farming, especially in the latter part of his life. A man of substantial worth and good standing in the community. He d. March 29, 1887, a. 76. His wid. still res. with one of their sons at the family home. Chn.:

49. CLIFFORD A.⁸, b. March 7, 1854; m. Antoinette Pinkham; res. E. Boston.
50. ELWIN W.⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1855; d. May 22, 1871.
51. LUCY ADELLE⁸, b. Oct. 24, 1858; d. July 14, 1860.
52. OSCAR B.⁸, b. Sept. 1, 1861; res. W.; unm.
53. A daughter⁸, b. Oct. 20, 1864; d. Oct. 22, 1864.
54. ALMA LOUISA⁸, b. Dec. 13, 1867; d. Sept. 26, 1869.

[33.] RAYMOND, MILTON⁷, bro. of the last, m. Nancy Barrett, and res. in the ho. on Fg. road, near the Raymond sawmill, built by Plympton Barnes, now occupied by Ernest E. Brown. He d. Sept. 29, 1879, a. 67. Nancy d. Jan. 2, 1857. Chn.:

55. MARY F.⁸, b. Dec. 12, 1839; m. Nelson Lewis; res. Ash.; d. Oct. 29, 1866.
56. CYNTHIA A.⁸, b. March 2, 1841; m. Andrew Davis; res. Oxford.
57. ANGENETTE⁸, b. May 12, 1843; m. Wm. H. Matten; res. Boston.
58. ELIZA J.⁸, b. Feb. 12, 1845; d. June 9, 1845.
59. LUCY H.⁸, b. Aug. 12, 1846; m. David B. Barnes; res. W.
60. JOHN M.⁸, b. Sept. 16, 1848; m. Kate S. Flagg; res. Hudson; 4 chn.
61. MARY E.⁸, b. Nov. 9, 1851; m. James Campbell; res. Oxford.

[34.] RAYMOND, SOLON⁷, youngest s. of Major Nathan⁶ and Mary, m. Roxa, dau. of Dea. Levi and Isabella (Mann) Allen, Dec. 18, 1843. After a few years' residence elsewhere, Mr. R. bought the original Fairbanks Moor place at the foot of the pond, whose house, the first permanent res. in town, is incorporated into the dwelling now standing on the premises, and there spent the remaining portion of his life. A man of integrity and honor, he was highly esteemed by all who knew him. His last days were rendered exceedingly painful and sad by reason of a terrible cancer upon his face, though he bore the affliction and saw the fatal issue approaching with wonderful calmness, fortitude, and Christian trust. His sufferings terminated Oct. 19, 1883, in the 68th year of his age. His wid.

still occupies the home in connection with her s. They had but 2 chn.:

62. ALONA⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1843; d. June 30, 1860.

63. HOBART⁸, b. Sept. 25, 1846; m. Laura A. Ball; res. W.

[48.] RAYMOND, JOSEPH L.⁸, s. of George⁷, m. Clara L., dau. of George W. and Susan (Brooks) Miller, Nov. 19, 1879, and has had:

64. LOUIS H.⁹, b. May 12, 1881; d. June 1, 1881.

65. ARTHUR N.⁹, b. Feb. 10, 1887. 66. FLORENCE A.⁹, b. Dec. 17, 1889.

[63.] RAYMOND, HOBART⁸, s. of Solon⁷ and Roxa, m. Laura A., dau. of Densmore and Elmina (Shepard) Ball of Boylston, Dec. 18, 1873, and res. on the estate owned by his f., at the foot of the pond. He is a substantial, public spirited citizen, respected and honored by the public. He has served as Selectman 2 yrs., as Assessor 18 yrs., and is now (1893) one of the Rep. of the District to the Gen. Ct. Chn.:

67. CARL ALLEN⁹, b. Sept. 19, 1876. 68. CYRIL B.⁹, b. Jan. 8, 1884.

69. RAYMOND, ARETAS, prob. a descendant of one of the three bros. named on a foregoing page, but the intervening links have not been found. He was s. of James and Polly (Batcheller) Raymond of Brookfield, b. March 2, 1804, and gd.s. of John who rem. from Beverly to B., presumably ab. 1765, and d. there at an advanced age, March 30, 1822. He came to W. in his early manhood and m. Nancy, dau. of Jonas and Betsey (Raymond) Whitney, June 14, 1830. He built a house on the west side of Bacon St., which he permanently occupied. He was of quiet, undemonstrative manners, good judgment, and irreproachable character. He was Assessor 2 yrs., and served the public conscientiously and faithfully in other important ways. He d. Feb. 5, 1872, a. 67. His wid. d. Aug. 7, 1875, a. 72. Chn.:

70. HARRIET, b. Sept. 25, 1832; d. Dec. 1, 1845.

71. MARY E., b. March 17, 1837; m. Joseph H. Greenwood; res. Gr.

72. MARTHA C., b. Oct. 3, 1846; m. L. H. Browning; res. Worc.

73. RAYMOND, ASA⁶, s. of Daniel⁵ and Polly (Kinsley) Raymond, was b. Ashby, May 12, 1797. He belonged to a different branch of the family from those already mentioned, being a descendant of William¹ of Beverly, referred to in the first paragraph under this head, through William², Paul³, William⁴, and Daniel⁵. He m. (1) Tabitha Walker, Dec. 17, 1818, and some ten years later came to W., where much of his subsequent life was spent. He owned successively the Jonathan Sawyer and Smyrna Whitney farms in the north part of the town, and afterward the Abraham Wood house and lot on the Common. His first w. dying, he m. (2) Wid. Hannah A. (How) Peabody, and res. in the former Dr. White house. He d. July 27, 1889. His wid. is still living. Chn.:

74. CHARLES H.⁷, b. Oct. 20, 1819; m. M. C. Collins; 6 chn.; d. May 10, 1851.
 75. DANIEL⁷, b. Jan., 1822; d. when 1 week old.
 76. ASA W.⁷, b. Jan. 26, 1823; m. Susan Thurston; 3 chn.
 77. ELI W.⁷, b. Dec. 31, 1824; m. Harriet E. Brown; res. W.
 78. HARRIET E.⁷, b. March, 1826; d. when 7 weeks old.
 79. ALMIRA⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1828; m. Henry M. Raymond; 3 chn.
 80. GEORGE⁷, b. March 3, 1835; m. Mary J. Ames; res. Fg.; 1 chd.

[77.] RAYMOND, ELI H.⁷, m. Harriet E. Brown and set. in W., where he still res. They have had 3 chn.:

81. EMMERGENE M.⁸, b. May 31, 1856; m. J. A. Garmon; res. Lowell; 1 chd.
 82. FRED P.⁸, b. Oct. 12, 1858; m. Emma E. Fisher; res. W.; 1 chd.
 83. GEORGE L.⁸, b. June 24, 1864; d. June 9, 1889.

84. RAYMOND, HENRY M.⁷, m. his cousin, Almira Raymond (79), and res. in W. a few years, having the following chn.:

85. SARAH J., b. Jan. 4, 1857. 86. MARIA F., b. Oct. 12, 1858.
 87. WILLIE H., b. Oct. 18, 1865.

REED.

Several persons of this name came early to N. E., locating at different points and becoming the heads of as many lines of descendants. One of these seems to have been William¹, s. of Thomas and Mary of Brocket Hall in the mother country, b. ab. 1587, who with his w. Mabel and three chn. took passage in the *Defence* in 1635, and who, upon arriving here, set. in Dorchester. He soon rem. to Scituate, going thence to Brookline, and subsequently to Woburn. After a few years, himself and w. returned to Eng., where he d. in 1656.

George Reed², s. of Wm.¹ and Mabel, b. 1629, was f. of William³, who set. in Lexington, and by his w., Abigail Kendall, had Benjamin⁴, b. 1696. His s. Jonas⁵ located in Rutland, where he was an active citizen and deacon of the church. He had Nathan⁶, who m. Lydia Poor, and took up his abode in Royalston ab. the beginning of the present century.

I. REED, PHINEAS⁷, s. of Nathan⁶ and Lydia, was b. R., April 22, 1807. Not long after arriving at mature age he came to W. and served as clerk in the store of Oliver Estey. He went thence to Joseph Whitman's, where he was first employed in a similar capacity, but subsequently entered into partnership with Mr. Whitman, under the firm name of "Whitman and Reed." After some years he withdrew, and during the latter part of his life devoted his time mostly to farming. He m. 1843 (pub. Sept. 16), Sally P., wid. of Simeon Sanderson, Esq., and dau. Col. Asa and Sally (Puffer) Bigelow, and set. in the Capt. Nathan Whitney house, cor. Main and Bacon sts., where his wid. still resides at the advanced age of 90 years. He d. Dec. 12, 1861, a. 54. Chn.:

2. SALLY S.⁸, b. July 31, 1844; } twins; } res. W., unm., with her mother.
 3. PHINEAS⁸, b. July 31, 1844; } d. Aug. 1, 1844.
 4. ABBIE I.⁸, b. March 5, 1847; m. Marcus M. Nichols; res. W.; 7 chn.; living.

5. REED, ABRAM, s. of David and Naomi of Gr., lineage untraced, is sup. to have been b. in Stow, 1787. He m. Oct. 17, 1830, Wid. Polly Taylor, whose antecedents, etc., are unkn.

He bought, March 27, 1826, a part of lot 25, 3d Div., in W. part of town, of Elisha Pierce, and built a house upon it, res. there some time. In 1835 he sold to Jeremiah K. Gates, and he in turn a few years later to Thomas Drury. No chn. reported and no records of d. found.

6. REED, ASA, bro. of the last, was b. Gr. June 18, 1789, and m. Rhoda Brooks of unknown lineage, etc. He was a blacksmith by trade, and after living awhile in his native town rem. to the Narrows, where he worked at the anvil. He owned for a time a part of the John Hoar (now J. Frank Howard) place, and is thought to have res. there. No record of his later years has been found. Chn.:

7. MARY ANN, b. June 4, 1821.

8. RHODA E., b. March 31, 1824.

9. DAVID W., b. Nov. 6, 1826.

10. REED, DAVID, bro. of the last, b. Gr. Feb. 13, 1793, m. (1) Polly Smith in 1818², and (2) Fannie, dau. Michael Gill, Esq., in 1834. He res. on the John Hoar place, which he bought in 1825 of John Minott, and also in the Jones house on the Common, now gone. He was a shoemaker, as the writer well remembers. He d. Feb. 22, 1855, a. 62. Polly, his 1st w., d. March 3, 1831, a. 34. Fannie Gill, his 2d w., d. Sept. 11, 1865, a. 73. Chn.:

11. DAVID A., b. Oct. 25, 1819; d. Nov. 4, 1819.

12. DAVID J., b. Aug. 26, 1821; m.

13. MARY N., b. Sept. 16, 1824; m. Simeon L. Bolton; res. W.; 2 chn.

14. ABRAM A., b. Jan. 12, 1829.

15. FRANCES A., b. Dec. 12, 1835; m. Henry C. Bolton; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. July 16, 1857.

RICE.

There have been several families of this name in W. at different periods of its history, all of whom, so far as traced, have one common immigrant ancestor, Edmund Rice¹, who was b. in Eng. ab. 1594, and appeared in this country as early as 1639, when he was a resident of Sudbury. He soon rem. to Marlboro', where he d. May 3, 1663. His descendants have been very numerous, and are scattered far and wide throughout the land. His s. Thomas² m. Mary —, who bore him Thomas³, the f. of Beriah⁴, of Westboro', whose w. was Mary Gardner.

1. RICE, REV. ASAPH⁵, s. of the last named, was b. May 9, 1733, and d. April 13, 1816, a. 82. (For details of his character and career see Chap. XIV.) He had three wives: (1) Mary, dau. of Rev. Ebenezer Morse of Westboro', to whom he was m. soon after his settlement here. She d. the following year, at the age of 19, and he m. (2) in 1771, Elizabeth Clough of Boston, ptge., etc. unknown. She d. Feb. 16, 1782, a. 43, and he m. (3) Mrs. Lucy (Barron) Shattuck, wid. of Dr. Benjamin Shattuck of Templeton (pub. May 24), 1796, who d. in April, 1821, a. 68. The chn. of Rev. Mr. Rice were:

2. PERSIS⁶, b. Nov., 1761; m. Silas Beaman; res. W. and W. Boylston; chn.; d.

3. ELIZABETH C.⁶, b. 1771; m. Dr. Asa Miles; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 10, 1796.

4. THOMAS⁶, b. 1774; m. Mary Eames; res. W. and Boston; 8 chn.
5. ASAPH⁶, b. 1775; d. Sept. 27, 1776.
6. ASAPH⁶, b. Feb. 17, 1777; m. Abigail Sawyer; res. W., etc.
7. MARY⁶, b. June, 1778; m. Jacob Sawyer; res. W.; chn.; d.
8. THANKFUL⁶, b. 1780; m. Farwell Jones; res. W.; 2 chn.
9. BENJAMIN⁶, b. 1782; d. unm. 1807; res. Boston.

[6.], RICE, ASAPH⁶, s. of the last, fitted for and entered Harvard Coll., but did not grad. He studied medicine and practiced in several places before finally settling in Lewiston, Ill., where he d. He was a res. of W. for some years, ab. the time of and after the death of his father. He sold the home farm with bds., etc., June 5, 1820, and left the place altogether. He had 8 chn., whose birth-places, as indicated in the following table, show the whereabouts of his family at different dates, to wit:

10. ERASMUS D.⁷, b. Phillipston, May 24, 1805; a physician at Lewiston, Ill.
11. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Florida, N. Y., March 7, 1808.
12. ADALINE⁷, b. Florida, N. Y., May 2, 1810.
13. AMORY⁷, b. W., March 5, 1813.
14. CATHARINE⁷, b. W., Aug. 27, 1816.
15. ADELIA⁷, b. Orford, N. H., Sept. 4, 1820.
16. AMANDA⁷, b. Orford, N. H., Feb. 27, 1823.
17. JANE⁷, b. Thetford, Vt., June 12, 1825.

Thomas Rice⁶ (4), the oldest s. of Rev. Asaph and Elizabeth, res. in W. a few years after becoming of age, and was engaged in trade, having been licensed as a retailer of spirituous liquors 1795-8, perhaps as successor of his bro.-in-law, Silas Beaman, in the brick store on the common. He went thence to Boston, engaging in the same business, but later in life rem. to Galena, Ill., where he prob. d. He m. Mary Eames of Boston, and had 8 chn.

Benjamin Rice⁶ (9), youngest s. of Rev. Asaph, was a merchant in Boston, of the firm of "Forsaith and Rice," but d. early in his career, unm.

18. RICE, JONAH⁷, s. of Elijah⁶ and Experience (Lawrence) Rice, was b. Pn., 1791. He was a descendant of Edmund¹ of Marlboro', through Edward², Edmund³, William⁴, William⁵, Elijah⁶. His father, Elijah⁶, appears to have been a temporary resident here, having his tax abated in 1785. Jonah⁷ m. Mary Hill and settled in the small house near the S. E. schoolhouse, now occupied by Wid. Joel S. Burpee. He d. April 15, 1868, a. 77. His w. d. —. Chn.:

19. WILLIAM E.⁸, b. March 19, 1819; m. 4 times; res. W.
20. ASAPH W.⁸, b. Aug. 7, 1820; m. Sarah J. Downing; res. Leom.; in Civil War.
21. FRANKLIN R.⁸, b. July 25, 1822; m., res., and d. Woodstock, Vt.
22. AUGUSTUS M.⁸, b. July 17, 1825; m. and set. Woodstock, Vt.
23. SUSAN E.⁸, b. Dec. 13, 1826; m. Charles H. Stone; res. Leom.
24. ELIZA A.⁸, b. 1830; d. Nov. 6, 1849.

[19.] RICE, WILLIAM E.⁸, s. of the last, m. (1) Clara W., dau. of Ebenezer Sawin, July, 1843. She d., leaving 1 chd., Feb. 5, 1845, a. 23. He m. (2) Fidelia Merriam of Pn., who bore him 1 chd. and d., July 30, 1846. He m. (3) in 1847, Wid. Emily W. Merriam, who d. Aug. 7, 1878, a. 60. His present w. is Mary Ellen, dau. of Edward Goodfellow of Fg. He is by trade a chairmaker. Chn.:

25. CLARA E.⁹, b. July 20, 1844; d. unm. Dec. 24, 1861.
26. NATHAN A.⁹, b. July 10, 1846; d. Aug. 18, 1846.

27. FIDELIA A.⁹, b. July 19, 1848; m. Charles Nourse; res. Marlboro'.
 28. MARY J.⁹; m. Elmer W. Baker; res. Leom.; 1 chd.
 29. CHARLES W.⁹, b. June 17, 1851; m. Emily Pero; res. Worc.
 30. WALDO A.⁹, b. July 26, 1853; m. Emily Smith; res. W.
 31. HOWARD B.⁹, b. April 27, 1855; d. April 23, 1861.
 32. FREMONT⁹, b. Nov. 17, 1857.
 33. HARLAN⁹, b. 18—; m. Jennie Goodnow; res. Marlboro'.
 34. MARY J.⁹, b. Feb. 21, 1863; m. Elmer W. Baker.
 35. MABEL A.⁹, b. May 24, 1880. 36. ETHEL L.⁹, b. June 4, 1882.

[30.] RICE, WALDO A.⁹, s. of the last, m. April 2, 1874, Emma A., dau. of Wm. and Mary Smith of St. John, N. B., and res. in tn. The records credit them with 2 chn.:

37. CHARLES M.¹⁰, b. Dec. 17, 1874. 38. EDITH L.¹⁰, b. Feb. 28, 1878.

39. RICE, JOEL R.⁸, s. of Aaron⁷ and Susan (Davis) Rice of Pn., was b. Dec. 20, 1823. He descended from the before-named immigrant, Edmund¹, by the following line: Edward², Daniel³, Daniel⁴, David⁵, David⁶, Aaron⁷. He m. Mary H., dau. Geo. W. and Dolly (Jackson) Whitney, Nov. 24, 1857, and located at Wachusettville. Chn.:

40. ELLEN⁹, b. Dec. 28, 1859; m. George H. Clegg.
 41. FRANK J.⁹, b. May 26, 1862; m. Della A. Eaton; res. W.
 42. MARY A.⁹, b. March 25, 1865. 43. FREDDIE⁹, b. Feb. 20, 1870.
 44. GEORGE C.⁹, b. Oct. 12, 1872. 45. —⁹, b. Oct. 2, 1875.
 46. LOUIS B.⁹, b. Sept. 13, 1878. 47. SHERMAN⁹, b. May 15, 1881.

[41.] RICE, FRANK M.⁹, s. of the last, m. Della A., dau. Stillman and May A. (Wheeler) Eaton. Jan. 15, 1888, and has had 1 chd.:

48. BERTHA A.¹⁰, b. May 9, 1889.

49. RICE, ALBERT⁸, bro. of Joel R.⁸ (39), was m. Oct. 19, 1873, to Nancy J., dau. Marshall and Equilla (Haynes) Eaton, and res. W. Chn.:

50. SARAH F.⁹, b. June 24, 1876.
 51. HELEN M.⁹, b. May 20, 1880; d. May 9, 1886.

52. RICE, AARON C.⁸, s. of Nathan⁷ and Cynthia (Darby) Rice, and gd.s. of David⁶, m. Martha, dau. of Benj. Miller, and lived on the Pond place. He d. May 15, 1882, a. 49, and his wid. m. (2) a Mr. Jourdan of Fg., where they reside. Chn.:

53. LUNA J.⁹, b. July 13, 1876; d. Nov. 29, 1877.

54. RICE, GEO. E.⁸, bro. of the last, b. Pn., June 1, 1835, m. Maria G., dau. of J. Elliot and Ann Maria (Jackson) Gates, Jan. 9, 1865. They reside on Bacon st. No chn.

55. RICE, FRED F.⁸, s. of Charles S. and Catharine L. (Brown) Rice, b. Pepperell, m. Carrie M. Chadwick of Ash., Dec. 24, 1879. He also was of the same immigrant stock as the preceding, the line running thus: Edmund¹ of Marlboro', Thomas² of Sudbury, Elisha³, and Zebulon⁴ of Lanc., Reuben⁵ of Ash.,

Reuben⁶, Charles Stearns⁷ b. Ash., Oct. 18, 1824. They res. awhile in A., but for 10 yrs. have lived in W. Chn.:

56. EVA ALICE⁹, b. Ash., 188-; d. W., Sept. 5, 1882.

57. MARY E.⁹, b. W., May 7, 1884. 58. SADIE B.⁹, b. March 28, 1887.

59. RICE, WILLIAM S.⁸, bro. of the last, was b. Pep., and m., Dec. 10, 1879, Jennie L., dau. of John and Lucy (Kendall) Lynde. They have 1 chd.:

60. ARTHUR K.⁹, b. June 25, 1886.

Catharine L. Rice, mother of the above Fred. F. (55), and (59), and dau. of Philander C. and Louisa W. Brown, d. Wm. S. Nov. 2, 1890, a. 63.

I. RICH, REV. A. JUDSON, s. of Daniel F. and Anna (Graves) Rich, was b. at Cooper, Me., Dec. 6, 1834. His early educational advantages were few in number and of inferior quality, but by faithfully improving them and supplementing them with private study, he fitted himself for the work of teaching—which he followed successfully for several years—and for Waterville, Me., College, which he entered a year in advance, when about 24 years of age. His health failing, he did not graduate, but, after recuperating awhile, connected himself with the Newton Theological School, for the purpose of preparing for the Baptist ministry. Experiencing a change of views in the direction of greater liberality, he left there and went to the Union Theological Seminary in N. Y. City, completing his course of study and graduating in 1863.

His first settlement was with the village church, Dorchester, where he remained about four years, coming thence to this town and being installed Pastor of the First Church and Society, May 22, 1867. After a successful ministry of three years he resigned, partly on account of a still farther change of religious views, and entered the fellowship of the Unitarian denomination, under the auspices of which he has since labored in his chosen profession. His subsequent settlements have been, at Brookfield, 9 yrs.; Hyde Park, 4 yrs.; Fall River, 7 yrs.; and Milford, N. H., where he has been ab. 2 yrs.

Theologically considered, Mr. Rich claims to combine radical thinking with conservative methods, and to a broad, inclusive, progressive spirit, seeks to add practical and spiritual endeavors and aims. Active in social, educational, industrial, and philanthropic movements, his purpose and influence have been to make religious convictions and principles a power for good and happiness in the daily life of his people and of the community. While here he preached, upon the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Church, an appropriate "Historical Discourse," which was afterwards printed, with much interesting and valuable collateral matter, making a pamphlet of about 100 pages.

Mr. Rich m., Aug. 27, 1863, Harriet Louisa, dau. of Theophilas Wilder Allan of Dennysville, Me., a woman of "culture, wisdom, and exalted Christian character." They have had 5 chn.:

2. EDGAR J., b. July 22, 1864; grad. Harv. Univ. and Law Sch.; in practice Bost.
3. MARTHA L., b. Aug. 6, 1865; teacher in grammar school, Fall River.
4. HERBERT A., b. 1867; d. W., Feb. 11, 1868.
5. ALICE E., b. W., Nov. 12, 1869; assistant teacher in high school, Fall River.
6. HAROLD A., b. Nov. 21, 1880.

1. ROBBINS, EPHRAIM, from Littleton, untraced, m. Hannah Brooks of Groton, Nov. 3, 1774, and set. first on the Bellows place, half a mile S. of Knowler's corner on the Hub. road. (See A. H. No. 78.) After about 20 yrs. he sold out and bought the Farnsworth farm at Wachusettville, now owned by Samuel H. Sprague, with the sawmill (the original Dea. Miller mill) above, where he manufactured lumber for a livelihood. He finally disposed of the property to Phineas Leonard and disappeared. Date of death not learned. Chn.:

2. JONAS, b. July 27, 1775; d. Oct. 8, 1777.
3. EPHRAIM, b. Sept. 9, 1777; d. Oct. 10, 1778.
4. JONAS, b. May 15, 1780; m. Eunice Metcalf; res. W.
5. EPHRAIM, b. June 13, 1783.
6. NATHAN, b. May 5, 1785.

[4.] ROBBINS, JONAS, s. of the last, was pub. to Eunice Metcalf, of Ash., Aug. 1, 1801, and no doubt m. her. He carried on business with his father for a few years and was joint owner of the property named above, when it was disposed of to Mr. L. He rem. to Ash., and thence to Townsend. Chn.:

7. EUNICE, b. Jan. 24, 1803; m. Amos Rice; res; Ash. and Camb.; sev. chn.
8. JONAS, b. Sept. 24, 1804.
9. HANNAH, b. July 10, 1806.

1. ROBINSON, AMOS, s. of Wm. and Jane (Patterson) Robinson, was b. Ailsford, N. S., May 30, 1842. Coming to Mass., he m. Oct. 13, 1866, at Fg., — Rose, who was b. in Coventry, Eng., April 23, 1844. They resided in Ayer a few years, then in Fg. and Leom., removing from the last place to W. in 1875, and locating on the original Josiah Wheeler place, on Bean Porridge Hill, which was purchased of Josiah Page, its long-time owner. Chn.:

2. HERBERT H., b. Ayer., Sept. 7, 1867.
3. LEONARD O., b. Ayer., Aug. 22, 1869.
4. CHARLES W., b. Fg., Aug. 10, 1871.

1. ROLPH, MOSES W., s. of Solomon and Anna (Baker) Rolph, was b. Hub. April 14, 1822. He was a wood-turner by trade, working in the S. part of the town and at the Narrows some years each, but finally rem. to E. Pn., and thence to Sterling, where he now res. He m. April 14, 1844, Lucretia, dau. of Amos and Rebecca Howard, and had:

2. FREDERICK, b. Sept. 18, 1846; m. Martha Merriam; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; living.
3. LUCY, b. March 18, 1848; d. April 20, 1849.
4. ELLEN, b. Jan. 5, 1851; m. James Smith; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.
5. WILLIAM, b. Jan. 28, 1853; m. Sarah A. Hobbs; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; living.
6. LUCY, b. April 18, 1856; m. Henry Snow; res. Stg.; 5 chn.; living.
7. CHARLES, b. Dec. 24, 1864; m. Mary Noyes; res. Leom.; no chn.; living.

1. ROPER, JOHN P., s. of John and Lucy (Bond) Roper, was b. Pn., Nov. 10, 1836. He m. at Sterling, May 1, 1866, Ann, dau. Rev. Chandler and Mary A. (Colburn) Curtis' of W., and after res. in Leom. a few months, rem. to this town and located on the Murdock farm, half a mile E. of the R. R. station, where he still resides. He is a diligent, thrifty farmer, an upright and honorable citizen and Deacon of the Baptist Chh. His father spent the last part of his life with him, dying June 5, 1873, a. 74. Chn.:

2. JOHN C., b. Sept. 10, 1870.
3. EDWARD W., b. Dec. 11, 1873.
4. SUSAN I., b. Oct. 21, 1877.

1. ROSS, JAMES, s. of James Ross of Lancaster (Sterling), b. March 12, 1738-9, m. Phebe Gerry, May 7, 1766. He was at that time owner of lot No. 20, 2d Div., on Beech Hill (the old town farm), which he bought the previous year of Amos Gates, and which he sold the following autumn to Edward Jackson. He afterwards purchased No. 24, where Leonard M. Gates now lives, of John Edgell, where he no doubt res. while he remained in town. He soon returned to Lanc., but rem. thence to Erving, being dismissed to the church there Oct. 16, 1774. The only chd. rec. in W. was:

2. BENJAMIN, b. April 23, 1767.

A Benjamin Ross, prob. this son of James and Phebe, had a chd. b. in 1796. One by the same name was taxed 1806.

1. RUGG, JOSEPH, a descendant of one of the early settlers of Lancaster, and s. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Divoll) Rugg, was b. in that town Oct. 7, 1771. He m. Nov. 29, 1792, Mary, dau. of Edward and Sarah (Willard) Hazen of Swanzy, N. H., a cousin of Samuel Hazen of Shirley, three of whose daus. m. and settled here. He rem. to this place ab. 1816, purchasing and occupying the Eph. Wetherbee farm, on the southerly slope of Beech Hill. Joseph Rugg d. July 8, 1842, a. 72. His w. Mary (Hazen) Rugg d. Gr. Inasmuch as their chn., though b. in L., grew up for the most part and were well known here, their names are given in full, though the birth-dates of the older ones have not been ascertained.

2. MARY.
3. JOSEPH.
4. NANCY.
5. SARAH H., b. Oct. 28, 1796.
6. EDWARD, b. May 27, 1798; d. Oct. 13, 1822.
7. GRANVILLE, b. May 24, 1802.
8. ELIJAH, b. March 10, 1804.
9. LUCY, b. Feb. 4, 1806.
10. WILLIAM, b. May 24, 1808.
11. CHRISTOPHER, } b. April 25, 1810. }
12. AUGUSTUS, } d. Jan. 3, 1812. }
13. JULIA, b. Jan. 11, 1813.
14. HARRIET, b. Jan. 11, 1815.
15. BENJAMIN II., b. Dec. 29, 1816.

I. RUNNELS, HAVILAH V., s. of John Bunyan and Emily Ann Runnels, lineage unkn., was b. in Berkshire, Vt., in 1842. He m. Feb. 16, 1860, Solina, dau. of Nelson Stone of the same town. They have res. in various localities, as the table below indicates. They came from Fg. to this town in 1882, purchasing and locating upon the Gray place, in the No. part, near Ash. line, where they still live. Chn.:

2. FLORA, b. Berkshire Vt., March 1, 1861; d. March 4, 1862.
3. NELLIE A., b. Richford, Vt., Feb. 6, 1863; m. James E. Kinsman; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; living.
4. ALFRED H., b. Ash., April 1, 1868; res. Fg.
5. EMILY ANN, b. Erving, Feb. 20, 1871; d. Erving, Nov. 25, 1873.
6. MARILLA, b. Erving, May 2, 1874.
7. SARAH ANN, b. Canada, June 13, 1877.
8. ERNEST H., b. Fg., Aug. 2, 1881.
9. JOHN BUNYAN, b. W., June 22, 1885.

I. RUSSELL, SHUBAEL⁶, s. of Thomas⁵ and Abigail (Perry) Russell, was b. Sherborn and bap. there Nov. 20, 1785. His father was son of Thomas⁴, who removed from Woburn to Sherborn, and who was son of John³, son of John², son of John¹, a settler in Woburn as early as 1640. A prominent man and Dea. of the first church, but turned Baptist and became an Elder in that communion. Shubael⁶ m. Sally, dau. David and Martha (Conant) Merriam of Hub., but res. in W. some years, being taxed here 1809-1816. He lived part or all of the time on the John Whitney place, but finally located with his wife's father in H., where he d. Chn.:

2. SILAS⁷, b. Jan. 20, 1806; m. Susan M. Allen; res. Hub.; 2 chn.; dec'd.
3. LUCINDA⁷, b. Jan. 28, 1808; m.; 5 chn.
4. SALLY M.⁷, b. Dec. 3, 1811; m. Geo. W. Phillips; res. Dublin, N. H.; sev. chn.; d. June 3, 18—.
5. JOSEPH⁷, b. Dec. 13, 1813; m. Amanda Bartlett; res. Hub.; 5 chn.; dec'd.
6. MARTHA⁷, b. May 13, 1816; m. Alfred Russell, etc.

SAMPSON.

The families of this name formerly residing in town were descendants of Abraham¹, who came from England in 1629 or 30 and set. in Duxbury, near Plymouth, though there is some uncertainty in regard to the connection at a single point. Isaac Sampson², s. of Abraham¹, b. 1660, m. Lydia, gd.dau. of Miles Standish, and lived at Plympton, where he had a s. Peleg³ who is supposed to have been the f. of Jonathan⁴, b. Oct. 5, 1733. The latter located at Harvard, where he m. Mary Oakes, rem. thence to Ash., becoming there a prominent and patriotic citizen, serving on the Com. of Correspondence in pre-revolutionary times, and in other positions of public trust and honor. From him sprung those mentioned below.

I. SAMPSON, ABRAM⁵, was s. of the last, b. May 22, 1763. Coming to W. he m. Sally, dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Baker) Adams (pub. Sept. 19, 1785), and set. on the estate of his f.-in-law in the south part of the town, near where the sch. ho. in District No. 10 formerly stood. He was a blacksmith, and his shop was a landmark in the neighborhood during the early part

of the century. He had 1 chd. who d. in infancy. A nephew of his w., George Adams, was adopted by him, learned his trade, and succeeded to his estate and business. He d. Dec. 21, 1845.

2. SAMPSON, OLIVER⁶, s. of Oliver⁵, the bro. of Abram⁵, and Abigail (Sawin) Sampson, was b. Ash., April 16, 1795. He came to W. in 1818, and m. Dec. 10, 1822, Susan Bennett of Lunenburg, locating on lot No. 82, 2d Div., where L. M. Richardson now res. In 1862 he rem. to Jamestown, N. Y., where his w. d. Nov. 10, 1868, a. 74, where he d. March 2, 1881, a. 86, and where his surviving sons and dau. are now living. His entire family of chn., b. W., were:

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| 3. LYDIA H. ⁷ , b. 1824; d. 1839. | 4. OTIS M. ⁷ , b. 1826; d. 1851. |
| 5. DAVID ⁷ , b. Aug. 25, 1827; a merchant at Jamestown, N. Y. | |
| 6. SARAH ⁷ , b. 1829; living J. | 7. JAMES C. ⁷ , b. 1831; res. J. |
| 8. GEORGE O. ⁷ , b. 1833; res. J. | 9. LUCIUS W. ⁷ , b. 1839; d. 1863. |

David⁷ (5) and Lucius W.⁷ (9) were in the war of the Rebellion. (See p. 419.)

1. SANDERS, AMOS, s. of Moses and Sally (Underwood) Saunders of Gr., was b. Nov. 23, 1812. The name is spelled Saunders in Gr. records and "History," and Sanderson in the earlier records of W., where Samuel, gd.f. of Amos, res. as far back as 1759. Amos m. Dec. 29, 1836, Lucy, dau. of Daniel and Priscilla (Hastings) Sawin, and finally located on the spot still occupied by him near the outlet of the so-called town meadows. He is a carpenter by trade, though devoting his time mostly in later years to farming. Chn.:

2. LUCY ELLEN, b. March 25, 1838; m. Wm. D. Rider; res. Barre; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 27, 1878.
3. HARRIET A., b. Feb. 5, 1840; d. May 1, 1860.
4. JOSEPH E., b. April 25, 1842; m. Lucia A. Kimball; res. N. H.; d. Nov. 21, 1885. (See p. 420.)
5. DANIEL E., b. March 21, 1845; d. Aug. 31, 1849.
6. WILLARD H., b. April 6, 1848; d. Sept. 7, 1849.
7. EMMA J., b. Oct. 5, 1850; m. Charles F. Bolton; res. Fg.
8. DANIEL W., b. Sept. 1, 1852; m. Janette M. Woodbury; 1 chd.; res. W.
9. SARAH E., b. Oct. 27, 1854; d. Feb. 21, 1873.
10. GEORGE H., b. March 18, 1858; d. Nov. 20, 1860.

[8.] SANDERS, DANIEL WEBSTER, s. of the last, m. June 15, 1880, Janette M., dau. of Joseph and Susan (Nichols) Woodbury. He is by trade a chair maker. They have 1 chd.:

11. LEON HENRY, b. Oct. 6, 1884.

SANDERSON.

This name was first represented in N. E. by Edward Sanderson¹ who appeared early in Watertown, but located permanently at Cambridge. He m. Mary Eggleston of Dorchester, Oct. 15, 1645. Their s., Jonathan², a Deacon in the chh., was the f. of Samuel³ who m. Mercy Gale and had Abraham⁴, b. March 28, 1711, and Moses⁴, b. Feb. 22, 1721-2. Abraham⁴ m. Patience Smith of Weston, and set. in Lunenburg, where a s., Samuel⁵, sup. to be Samuel of W. and Gr. mentioned under the last head, was b. April 26, 1734. If so, he m. (1) Sarah Gould, cousin of Benjamin Gould (see p. 672), and (2) Lydia Boynton, the mother of Moses, also spoken of above.

Moses⁴, the other s. of Samuel⁸ and Mercy (Gale) Sanderson, m (1) Jan. 1, 1750-1, Mary, dau. of John and Hannah (Bemis) Flagg, a distant cousin of Elizabeth Flagg who m. Joshua Bigelow, and had Moses⁵ and two daus. Moses⁸, b. Waltham, Aug. 15, 1755, went to Littleton, where he m. Mary Procter and res. awhile, but moved thence to Ash. ab. 1790.

1. SANDERSON, SIMEON⁶, s. of the last mentioned couple, was b. Littleton, Sept. 24, 1790. He prob. lived with his parents during his minority, when he enjoyed the somewhat meager educational privileges of the time. He however was able to qualify himself for a school teacher, in which capacity he first appeared in W. His taste and ambition being turned to the profession of law, he entered the office of Alexander Dustin, Esq., under whose direction he fitted for the bar, to which he was admitted in the autumn of 1824. Not long after, Mr. Dustin rem. to Sterling, and Mr. Sanderson succeeded to his office and practice in this town. He was a man of acknowledged ability, and stood well in professional circles. He took an active part in public affairs, and held many important official positions: was on the Sch. Com. some dozen yrs., Selectman 3 yrs., and represented his fellow-citizens in the Mass. Legislature of 1827. He m. Sally, dau. of Col. Asa and Sally (Puffer) Bigelow, in 1822, and res. in the house which formerly stood on the site occupied by the dwelling of David W. Hill. Mr. Sanderson d. Dec. 10, 1841, a. 51. His wid. subsequently m. Phineas Reed. She is still living at the advanced age of four score and ten years. Simeon and Sally B. Sanderson had 1 chd.:

2. SALLY BIGELOW⁷, b. Oct. 29, 1829; d. Oct. 4, 1830.

SANGAR, DAVID⁴, s. of John³ and Rebecca Sangar of Watertown, b. March 21, 1696-97, was one of the early proprietors of Nar. No. 2, owning and improving, as early as 1745, lot No. 47, the former Israel Dickinson place, beyond No. Common.

His f. was s. of Richard² of Sudbury, s. of the immigrant, Richard¹, who had lands assigned him in Hingham in 1636 or 1637. David⁴ seems to have been only an intermittent resident here, but located his s. John⁵ on his estate, where, as reported to the Gen. Ct. in 1751, he had "4 acres cleared," and was "building a house." The f., with a w. and 8 chn., retained his home at Watertown, and the s. d. at Deerfield, unm., Oct. 9, 1755. The estate soon after passed into the hands of Nathaniel Wheeler of Acton, whose s., Nath. l. Jr., occupied it some 25 years. David Sangar d. Dec. 22, 1761. Both f. and s. were blacksmiths, and, it is presumed, had a shop on their premises.

SAWIN.

This name, occasionally spelled *Sawing* in the early records, represents one of the largest families or groups of families that have ever had a habitation in W. They mostly belonged to one branch of the original Sawin

stock, which first appeared on these shores in the person of John Sawin¹ of Watertown, who was made "freeman" in Boston, May 26, 1652. He was s. of Robert Sawin of Boxford, Suffolk Co., Eng., whence he came as early as the spring of 1650. He was a cordwainer (shoemaker) by trade, but owned considerable landed property in the town where he first lived, and in Weston where he passed the last years of his life, dying in 1690. He m., ab. 1652, Abigail, dau. of George and Abigail Munning, thus bringing a name into the family which has been retained until recently, if not to the present date. It was first given as a personal appellation to the second of his three sons, who was b. April 4, 1655, and who spent his days in Watertown, where he was a leading and highly honored citizen. John², s. of Munning², b. in 1689, succeeded to the paternal estate and to many public honors. He m. Elizabeth Coolidge, Dec. 5, 1711, by whom he had 9 chn., one of whom was the first of the name in W.

1. SAWIN, STEPHEN⁴, s. of John³ and Elizabeth (Coolidge) Sawin, was b. in Watertown, 1712, and having m. Abigail Fiske, sr. of Mrs. Eliezer Bigelow and of Mrs. Samuel Hager, set. in his native place as farmer and shoemaker. Ab. the year 1745 he rem. to Worc., whence he came some 15 yrs. later to this town. On the 15th of Aug., 1760, he purchased of Joseph Hosley the greater part of lots Nos. 37, now owned by Samuel Bridge, and 38, the Betsey Bacon place, and located upon the latter the following year. He ere long purchased considerable portions of what was known as the Governor's farm in the immediate neighborhood, making him one of the largest resident landholders at that date, and enabling him to furnish each of his 4 sons homesteads of reasonable size near at hand. He d. in 1795 at the age of 83. His wid. d. in 1803, a. 92. Their chn. were:

2. JONATHAN⁵, b. Wat., Jan. 12, 1735; m. Mary Whitney; res. W.
3. SAMUEL⁵, b. Wat., 1737; m. Molly Wasson and Martha Miller; res. W.
4. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Wat., 1740; d. unm. 1764.
5. JOHN⁵, b. Wat., 1742; d. 1753.
6. DAVID⁵, b. Worc., 1745; m. Mehitable Brown; res. W.
7. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Worc., 1748; m. Andrew Darby; res. W.; 9 chn.
8. REUBEN⁵, b. Worc., 1752; m. Annis Robbins; res. W.
9. ABIGAIL⁵, b. Worc., 1754; d. infancy.
10. SARAH⁵, b. Worc., 1757; m. Nehemiah Bowers; res. Rindge, N. H.; 9 chn.; [d. 1856.

[2.] SAWIN, JONATHAN⁵, oldest s. of Stephen⁴, was b. in Watertown, went with his f. to Worc., where he m. Mary Whitney, Feb. 15, 1759, and had 2 chn. before rem. to W. in 1761. He located here on a tract of land belonging to the Gov.'s farm, now owned and occupied by his gt.-gd.s., John F. Sawin. He is said to have served in the F. and I. War before coming to W., and was a soldier in the Revolution. He d. Jan. 17, 1822, a. 87. His wid. d. Nov. 3, 1826, a. 94. Their chn. were:

11. DANIEL⁶, b. Worc., 1759; m. Lucy Byam; res. W.
12. JAMES⁶, b. Jan. 2, 1761; m. Elizabeth Estabrook; res. W.
13. ABNER⁶, b. Aug. 29, 1763; m. Anna Robbins; res. W.
14. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Jan. 3, 1765; m. Elijah Farrington; res. Vt.
15. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Feb. 9, 1767; m. Oliver Sampson; res. Ash.; 8 chn.; d. 1843.
16. STEPHEN⁶, b. May 5, 1769; m. Lydia Bemis; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. 1802.
17. ASA⁶, b. July 15, 1771; m. Susannah Grimes; res. Ash.; 8 chn.; d. 1828.
18. EUNICE⁶, b. Jan. 16, 1774; m. Jacob Constantine; res. Vt.
19. LUTHER⁶, b. Dec. 18, 1776; m. Eunice Gilbert; res. W.

[3.] SAWIN, SAMUEL⁵, second s. of Stephen⁴, b. in Watertown, accompanied his f. to Worc., where he m. Molly Wasson of Sudbury, June 19, 1760, a year before his rem. to W. He set. on lot No. 37, the present Samuel Bridge farm, which he carried on in connection with his trade as stonecutter. He was active in public affairs, and an ardent patriot in Revolutionary times, was several years Selectman, and, animated by the military spirit, served as Lieut. under Capt. Noah Miles at the time of the Lexington alarm, and in the same capacity under Capt. Elisha Jackson when troops were called to Bennington in 1777. He afterward obtained a Capt.'s commission in the State Militia. His first w., Molly Wasson, d. ab. 1770, and he m. (2) Martha, dau. of Dea. Joseph and Mary (Williams) Miller (pub. Aug. 18, 1771), and (3) Wid. Abigail Bowers in 1810. He d. Oct. 23, 1822, a. 84. His second w., Martha, d. Aug. 1, 1808, a. 61. Abigail, his third w., d. at date unkn. Chn.:

20. MOLLY⁶, b. April, 1762; m. Jonathan Emory; res. New Ipswich, N. H.; d. 1850?
21. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Dec. 13, 1764; m. Lucy Laws; res. Gr., etc.; 3? chn.; d. unkn.
22. JOHN⁶, b. May 2, 1767; m.; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. 1806.
23. SAMUEL⁶, b. Sept. 18, 1769; m. Martha Heywood; res. Gr.; 5 chn.; d. unkn.
24. LUCY⁶, b. Sept. 30, 1772; m. John Damon; res. W.; 11 chn.; d. Sept. 22, 1851.
25. ABIJAH⁶, b. Aug. 7, 1774; d. childhood.
26. SULLIVAN⁶, b. Aug. 9, 1778; m. Mary Heywood; res. W. and Gr.; 6 chn.
27. SALLY⁶, b. Oct. 4, 1780; m. John Wetherbee; res. Manchester, Vt.
28. PHEBE⁶, b. Feb. 9, 1783; m. Isaac Williams; res. W.; chn.; d. 1809.
29. ANNIS⁶, b. June 4, 1785; m. James Cooledge; res. Gr.; 8 chn.; d. 1841.
30. RUTH⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1787; d. 1803.
31. BETSEY⁶, b. Oct. 9, 1790; m. Ephraim Williams; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; d.

[6.] SAWIN, DAVID⁵, bro. of the last, came to W. when 16 yrs. old, resided with his parents while they lived, and succeeded to their estate. He m. Mehitable, dau. of Jonathan and Mehitable (Hays) Brown of Malden in 1768, with whom he lived 67 years. They were cared for during the latter portion of their life by a granddaughter, Betsey Bacon, who inherited the old home and considerable landed property. He d. June 15, 1844, a. 99. His w. d. Sept. 23, 1835, a. 91. They had but 2 chn.:

32. BETSEY⁶, b. 1771; m. Arna Bacon; res. Gr. and W.; 3 chn.; d. March 12, 1855.
33. WILLIAM⁶, b. Jan. 14, 1773; m. three times; res. W.

[8.] SAWIN, REUBEN⁵, youngest s. of Stephen⁴ and Abigail, was b. Worcester in 1752. He came to W. when 9 years of age, and m. Annis Robbins, Dec. 24, 1773. He set. on a section of the Governor's farm, now represented by Wm. H. Barber. He was a millwright and carpenter as well as farmer, erecting, it is said, the first sawmill in Gardner, and superintending the raising of 13 meetinghouses. He was a sort of "universal genius," as a glance at one of his old account books, still preserved, clearly shows. He was, moreover, employed in the public service as Assessor and Selectman for several years, his native talent, practical judgment, and executive ability be-

ing universally recognized and acknowledged. He was in two or three short campaigns during the Revolution, though his tastes and qualifications fitted him rather for civil than for military life. He d. Oct. 25, 1797, when only 45 yrs. of age. His wid. m. (2) Kendall Parsons, Hub., and d. in July, 1835, at the age of 80. Their chn. were:

34. JOSEPH⁶, b. Feb. 28, 1774; m. Polly Gilbert; res. W.

35. REUBEN⁶, b. Nov. 27, 1777; d. Jan. 10, 1778.

[11.] SAWIN, DANIEL⁶, s. of Jonathan⁵ and Mary Whitney, m. Lucy Byam of Templeton, to whom he was pub. June 30, 1782, and set. on a 3d. div. lot in the Minott neighborhood. (See A. H. No. 74.) He was a few months in the Rev. army, but held no public office. He d. Aug. 27, 1834, a. 75. His wid. d. the following year, Dec. 7, age unknown. Chn.:

36. LUCY⁷, b. Sept. 6, 1783; d. 1792. 37. MOLLY⁷, b. April 29, 1787; d. 1792.

38. DANIEL⁷, b. Aug. 11, 1792; m. Priscilla Hastings; res. W.

39. ABEL⁷, b. Jan. 11, 1794; d. in Ohio, unm., 1841.

40. AARON⁷, b. Jan. 18, 1796; m. Phebe Marshall; res. W., etc.

[12.] SAWIN, JAMES⁶, bro. of the last, was brought to W. on horseback when 6 weeks old. He m. Elizabeth, dau. John and Anna (Bemis) Estabrook, Oct. 27, 1785. He is said to have been a soldier in the Rev., though his name does not appear in the Mass. archives. He first set. in S. W. part of the town, on the corner opp. where the wid. of Norman Seaver now res., but ere long returned to his father's, and there remained through life. The house inherited by him is now gone. He d. Aug. 26, 1859, a. 98 yrs. 7 mos. 24 ds. His w. d. Dec. 26, 1852, a. 89 yrs. 11 mos. 18 ds. Chn.:

41. EZRA⁷, b. Aug. 22, 1786; m. Agnes McIntire; res. Hub.; had chn.; d. 1875.

42. ABEL⁷, b. April 11, 1791; d. infancy.

43. BETSEY⁷, b. Dec. 9, 1795; d. Jan. 21, 1800.

44. JAMES⁷, b. Dec. 15, 1798; m. Eunice Hyde; res. W.

45. JOHN⁷, b. Dec. 5, 1800; m. three times; res. W.

46. NEHEMIAH⁷, b. June 23, 1805; d. infancy.

[13.] SAWIN, ABNER⁶, bro. of the last, m. Annis Robbins, and set. near his bro. Daniel, in the S. W. part of the town. (See A. H. No. 75.) They had but one chd.:

47. CHARLES⁷, b. 1788; m. Patience Graves; res. W.

[16.] SAWIN, STEPHEN⁶, another s. of Jonathan⁵, m. Lydia, dau. of Zaccheus and Elizabeth (Lyon) Bemis, 1796 (pub. Jan. 17). They were then of W., but set. in the edge of Fg., from which place he petitioned the Gen. Ct., in 1799, to be set off to this town, though without avail. He d. in 1802, and his wid. m. (2) Levi Graves. Stephen and Lydia Sawin had 2 chn.:

48. BETSEY⁷, b. Feb. 4, 1801; m. Hollis Bolton; res. W.; 10 chn.

49. MARY⁷, b. 1802; d. 1803.

[19.] SAWIN, LUTHER⁶, bro. of the last, m. Eunice Gilbert and res. in W., and Windhall, Vt. He d. May 5, 1813, a. 37. His w. d. at unkn. date. 3 chn.:

50. LUCINDA⁷, b. 1799; m. Leonard Hoar; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. March 18, 1887.

51. JONATHAN⁷, b. March 30, 1802; m. Mary A. Thompson; res. W., etc.

52. MARY⁷, b. Nov. 13, 1806; m. twice; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.; d. March 9, 1858.

[26.] SAWIN, SULLIVAN⁶, s. of Capt. Samuel⁵ and Martha (Miller) Sawin, m. Mary, dau. of Timothy and Patience (Stebbins) Heywood, to whom he was pub. Sept. 12, 1801. He succeeded to his father's estate, and spent most of his active life in W., carrying on the farm, and doing a considerable millwright business besides. Ab. the year 1830 he removed to Gardner, engaging in the manufacture of lumber, chair stock, farming, etc., until advancing years and the infirmities of age put an end to his labors. While in W. he served for some years on the board of Selectmen, and in other less responsible places of public trust. He was a Whig in politics, and in religion sympathized with the more rational and liberal branch of the Chn. church. He d. Aug. 30, 1846, a. 68. His w., Mary, d. Feb. 1, 1844, a. 67. Their chn., natives of W., were:

53. REUBEN H.⁷, b. Jan. 22, 1802; m. Sarah S. Robbins; res. Cal.; 2 chn.; d. May 2, 1884.

54. RUTH⁷, b. Sept. 6, 1803; m. John Damon; res. Gr., and Fitzwilliam, N. H.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 11, 1839.

55. MARY⁷, b. Dec. 22, 1807; m. Horace Whitney; res. W., etc.; 11 chn.; d. Jan. 7, 1891.

56. ELIZA⁷, b. March 20, 1810; m. Dr. David Parker; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. Sept. 5, 1839.

57. SULLIVAN⁷, b. June 12, 1813; d. unm. at Warren, Ohio, April 6, 1853.

58. JOHN⁷, b. Oct. 9, 1815; m. Eliza Bent; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; living.

[33.] SAWIN, WILLIAM⁶, only son of David⁵ and Mehitabel, m. (1) Rhoda, dau. James and Mary (Pearson) Cowee, Aug. 14, 1793. She d. April 29, 1823, a. 51, and he m. (2) Hannah Farnsworth in 1824 (pub. Dec. 5). She d. Aug. 3, 1835, a. 51, and he m. (3) Wid. Deborah (May) Derby in 1836. He lived awhile with his father on the ancestral homestead, then at different localities in town, finally locating on the Jonathan Phillips place on Bacon St. He was a famous fox-hunter in his day, and what he did not know about the habits and tricks of that mischievous, sly little animal, was hardly worth searching for. He d. Nov. 2, 1860, a. 87. His wid., Deborah (May), d. April 20, 1871, a. 85. His 2 chn. were by his first w.

59. SOPHIA⁷, b. Nov. 26, 1793; m. Jacob Brown; res. W. and Charlestown; 1 chd.

60. PEARSON⁷, b. 1801; d. 1802.

[34.] SAWIN, JOSEPH⁶, the only surviving child of Reuben⁵ and Annis (Robbins) Sawin, was pub. to Polly Gilbert of Acton, Dec. 18, 1791. He was a quiet, undemonstrative man, a devoted member of the First Congl. Church, and a good citizen. He d. Feb. 14, 1860, a. almost 86 years. His wid. d. May 7, 1866, a. 93. Chn.:

61. NANCY⁷, b. May 24, 1792; m. Joseph Whitney; res. Gr.; 12 chn.
62. REUBEN⁷, b. Feb. 12, 1794; m. twice; res. W.; no chn.; d. April 6, 1863.
63. RHODA⁷, b. March 26, 1797; m. Hubbard Kendall; res. Gr.; 11 chn.
64. MIRITIA⁷, b. Jan. 10, 1800; m. Lowell Rawson; res. Jamaica, Vt.; 5 chn.
65. LUKE⁷, b. Oct. 17, 1801; m. Clarissa Lane; res. W.
66. JOSEPH D.⁷, b. July 21, 1805; m. Marcia M. Scribner; res. Gr.; 7 chn.
67. ELI G.⁷, b. July 14, 1807; m. Tabitha Bickford; res. Gr.; 1 chd.
68. MARY A.⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1809; m. Farwell Edgell; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. 1842.
69. JOSIAH W.⁷, b. Aug. 28, 1812; m. Lucy Smith; res. Sterling.

[38.] SAWIN, DANIEL⁷, s. of Daniel⁶ and Lucy (Byam), m. Priscilla Hastings, who was b. Loudan, Conn., and settled in the S. W. part of the town, on the place where the widow of Norman Seaver now resides. He d. Jan. 13, 1849, a. 57. She d. Sept. 27, 1867, a. 82. Chn.:

70. LUCY⁸, b. Dec. 22, 1814; m. Amos Sanders; res. W.; 9 chn.; living.
71. STILLMAN⁸, b. Jan. 12, 1817; m. Sarah Wilson; res. Leom.; 4 chn.; living.
72. EMORY⁸, b. June 22, 1818; m. Caroline Sibley; res. Athol; 3 chn.; living.
73. AARON⁸, b. Aug. 30, 1820; m. Fidelia Whitney; res. W.
74. WILLARD⁸, b. Oct. 5, 1822; d. unm. June 30, 1849.

[40.] SAWIN, AARON⁷, bro. of the last, m. Phebe, dau. Dr. Benjamin and Adah (Upton) Marshall (pub. Sept. 21), 1822. He was a blacksmith and carried on business near the S. E. Sch. Ho., and later at the stand long occupied by John K. Learned. He rem. to Littleton, and thence to Orange, where he d. at a date unknown, as also did his wife. Their chn., b. mostly in W., were:

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| 75. BENJAMIN M. ⁸ , b. Dec. 13, 1823. | 76. MARY L. ⁸ , b. July 21, 1826. |
| 77. AARON S. ⁸ , b. Jan. 28, 1828. | 78. SYLVANDER B. ⁸ , b. Jan. 11, 1830. |
| 79. FRANK F. ⁸ , b. June 24, 1832. | 80. CHARLES L. ⁸ , b. Feb. 8, 1834. |
| 81. ELBRIDGE P. ⁸ , b. Oct. 9, 1836. | 82. ELBERT C. ⁸ , b. July 18, 1838. |
| 83. HENRY P. ⁸ , b. Oct. 31, 1841. | |

[44.] SAWIN, JAMES⁷, s. of James⁶ and Elizabeth (Estabrook) Sawin, m. Eunice, dau. of William and Eunice (Stearns) Hyde, Dec. 2, 1819. She was b. Spencer, March 3, 1801. They located on the Nathan Baker place, in the extreme south part of the town, where Joseph E. Story now res. He d. April 4, 1872, a. 73. His wid., with an unm. dau., rem. to the center of the town, where they still live. On the 3d of March, 1891, the former, still vigorous and active, celebrated the 90th anniversary of her birth. Chn.:

84. ELIZABETH⁸, b. Sept. 3, 1820; m. Samuel Bridge; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
85. CALVIN H.⁸, b. March 1, 1823; m. Frances B. Conner; res. Boston; 7 chn.; 1.
86. MARIA E.⁸, b. May 27, 1825; m. Joel Newton; res. W.; 13 chn.; living.
87. JAMES O.⁸, b. June 11, 1827; d. Aug. 10, 1827.
88. LOENEZA⁸, b. Sept. 18, 1828; d. March 5, 1830.
89. JAMES F.⁸, b. Jan. 22, 1831; d. April 16, 1832.
90. MARY A.⁸, b. Dec. 30, 1832; m. Horace B. Knower; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
91. FRANKLIN⁸, b. April 6, 1835; m. Elizabeth Moore; res. W.
92. ALBERT⁸, b. July 13, 1838; m. Emma Richmond; res. Worc.; 1 chd.; living.
93. FARWELL⁸, b. Nov. 28, 1841; d. Aug. 9, 1863. (See Chap. on Rebellion.)
94. LOUISA M.⁸, b. Dec. 7, 1844; unm.; res. with her mother.

[45.] SAWIN, JOHN⁷, bro. of the last, m. (1) Achsah, dau. of Jonas and Achsah (Haynes) Pierce (pub. March 22), 1829. She

bore him 1 chd. and d. Oct. 17, 1832. He m. (2) her sr. Mary (pub. Jan. 25), 1833, who became the mother of 4 chn. and d. April 1, 1845. His third w. was Harriet, dau. of John and Abigail (Davis) Hodgman of Ashby, m. Dec. 31, 1845. She is still living. Mr. Sawin res. on the homestead of his f. and gd.f., occupying the house now standing on the premises. He d. July 6, 1884, a. 83. Chn.:

95. MARY FRANCES⁸, b. May 8, 1830; m. Frederick Dickinson; res. Gr.; d. Sept. 27, 1854.
96. CAROLINE⁸, b. July 18, 1833; m.; d. Sept. 22, 1865.
97. ADALINE⁸, b. Nov. 12, 1835; m. Charles I. Barbour; res. Northampton.
98. EMILY⁸, b. June 18, 1839; m. George B. Hager; res. Gr.
99. HARRISON P.⁸, b. Jan. 19, 1841; d. unm. Md., Nov. 24, 1862. (See Chap. XX.)
100. MYRON W.⁸, b. Oct. 17, 1849; m. S. Louisa Brown; res. W.
101. JOHN F.⁸, b. Dec. 5, 1857; m. Emma F. Sawtelle; res. W.

[47.] SAWIN, CHARLES⁷, s. of Abner⁶ and Anna (Robbins), m. Patience, dau. of Jonathan and Betty (Lewis) Graves (pub. June 8), 1811, and succeeded to the homestead of his f. He was a cooper as well as farmer, devoting himself to each as the season and his own convenience dictated. He d. April 9, 1849, a. 61. His w. d. Feb. 20, 1842, a. 46. They had 8 chn.:

102. REBECCA H.⁸, b. March 9, 1812; m. Jarvis Hunting; res. Hub.; 2 chn.
103. SUSAN M.⁸, b. Dec. 17, 1815; m. Henry S. Grimes; res. Winch.; 8 chn.
104. CHARLES M.⁸, b. Dec. 22, 1817; m. Lucy W. Marsh; res. Worc.; 3 chn.
105. ANNIS M.⁸, b. Aug. 1, 1819; killed by a log falling on her, July 24, 1827.
106. ADDISON A.⁸, b. Aug. 1, 1821; m. Cornelia A. Scott; no chn.
107. LEVI O.⁸, b. Oct. 14, 1824; m. twice; res. Worc.; sev. chn.
108. GEORGE V.⁸, b. July 18, 1826; d. Oct. 15, 1830.
109. GEORGE V.⁸, b. Dec. 12, 1830; m. Lucy Hunting; res. Fg.; killed Oct. 17, 1851.

Of the above family, the second son, Addison Abner⁸ (106), becoming deeply interested in religious things, studied for the Chn. ministry and was first settled as pastor of the Baptist Chh. in Ticonderoga, N. Y. He afterwards was located at Colchester and Bristol, Vt., where he acted as Clerk and Treasurer of the Addison Co. Baptist Assn. He spent some years as missionary in the valley of the Mississippi, dying finally at Irving, Iowa, May 19, 1864, at the age of 43. In a pamphlet edition of "Notes" concerning the descendants of John Sawin of Watertown, the author, Thomas E. Sawin of Wendell, thus speaks of him: He "was one of those very few who have lifted themselves out of very adverse circumstances into a life of letters and professional usefulness."

[51.] SAWIN, JONATHAN⁷, s. of Luther⁶ and Eunice (Gilbert) Sawin, was b. in Windhall, Vt., March 30, 1802. He m. in 1830, Maryann Thomson of Londonderry, Vt., where he res. several years. He rem. thence ab. 1838 to Gr., and soon after to this town, and here spent the remainder of his life, dying May 17, 1871, a. 69. He was a carpenter by trade, and built for himself and occupied the house near the late Horace B. Knower's, now owned by Charles N. Dike. The date of his w.'s death is unknown. Chn.:

110. CLIMELIA⁸, b. Londonderry, Vt., Nov. 6, 1831; m. Rufus Young.
111. MIRANDA⁸, b. L., Sept., 1833; m. Orra Smith; res. L.
112. SANDFORD M.⁸, b. L., July 30, 1836. (See Rebellion Record.)
113. ALMINA R.⁸, b. Gr., March 4, 1842.
114. LUTHER J.⁸, b. W., Sept. 24, 1846. (See Rebellion Record.)
115. ORA W.⁸, b. W., Sept. 12, 1853; m. Lilla A. Smith; res. W.

[62.] SAWIN, REUBEN⁷, s. of Joseph⁶ and Polly (Gilbert), m. (1) Abigail, dau. of James and Abigail (Stearns) Miller (pub. March 22, 1823), and set. on lot No. 36, the original Noah Miles place, So. W., where Mrs. Julia A. Foster now resides. His w. d. Nov. 14, 1834, and he m. (2) Abigail, dau. of John and Abigail (Davis) Hodgman of Ashby. He d. April 6, 1863, a. 69. No chn.

[65.] SAWIN, LUKE⁷, bro. of the last, m. Clarissa, dau. of Elkanah and Annis Lane of Swanzey, N. H., Dec. 20, 1825. After residing in Gr. a few years he came to W., and building a new house for himself near that of his f., set. there for life. He became a convert to the principles of the Baptist church at an early day, and was a steadfast and active supporter of that form of Chn. faith. He d. Nov. 17, 1855, a. 54. His wid., surviving him nearly 30 years, d. July 3, 1884, a. 79. Chn., half of whom were b. in Gr.:

116. MARY G.⁸, b. June 18, 1827; d. Aug. 7, 1829.

117. MARIA S.⁸, b. Jan. 15, 1829; m. Marcus Wright; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 25, 1851.

118. OTIS F.⁸, b. June 15, 1831; d. Dec. 25, 1833.

119. MARY G.⁸, b. May 14, 1833; m. E. Kendall; res. Gr.; d. July 12, 1855.

120. LYMAN W.⁸, b. July 3, 1835; d. Sept. 4, 1835.

121. LURENA L.⁸, b. Oct. 15, 1837; d. Sept. 15, 1847.

122. OTIS W.⁸, b. Oct. 22, 1839; m. Mary E. Seaver; res. W.

123. JOEL C.⁸, b. Sept. 26, 1842; d. Dec. 27, 1858.

[73.] SAWIN, AARON⁸, s. of Daniel⁷ and Priscilla (Hastings), m. Fidelia Whitney of Rochester, Vt., and lived in town more or less during life. He d. May 26, 1865, a. 48. Nothing learned of his wid. thereafter. Only 1 chd. is named in W. records:

124. SYDNEY ADIN⁹, b. Nov. 16, 1856.

[91.] SAWIN, FRANKLIN⁸, s. of James and Eunice (Hyde), m. Elizabeth Ann Moore, Ackworth, N. H., Sept. 3, 1857. He res. in his native place, and has had 4 chn.:

125. WALTER⁹, b. June, 1858; d. Jan., 1862.

126. CLARA L.⁹, b. July 28, 1860.

127. FARWELL L.⁹, } b. Feb. 22, 1866.

128. FLORA LOUISA⁹, }

[100.] SAWIN, MYRON W.⁸, s. of John and Harriet (Hodgman), m. Nov. 24, 1870, S. Louisa Brown, a native of Sudbury, and remained with his parents on the old homestead. Chn.:

129. WILBER P.⁹, b. Dec. 6, 1873.

130. WALTER⁹, b. Oct. 26, 1878.

131. HATTIE⁹, b. April 17, 1880.

[115.] SAWIN, ORA WEBSTER⁸, s. of Jonathan⁷ and Maryann (Thompson) Sawin, m. Oct. 9, 1872, Lilla Adelia, dau. of Ora and Miranda Smith of Somerset, Vt. They res. awhile at Keene, N. H., where their first chd. was b., rem. thence to this town, where they now live. Chn.:

132. LIZZIE L. M.⁹, b. Sept. 29, 1873. 133. CHAUNCEY W.⁹, b. Sept. 19, 1876.

134. FRED ORA⁹, b. Sept. 10, 1879; d. Jan. 31, 1880.

135. OSCAR G.⁹, b. July 20, 1889.

[122.] SAWIN, OTIS W.⁸, s. of Luke⁷ and Clarissa (Lane) Sawin, m. Mary E., dau. of Asahel and Tamer R. (Hill) Seaver, April 10, 1859. He is a chair painter by trade, though living upon the original Dea. Joseph Miller farm, which he to some extent cultivates. Chn.:

136. L. ASHTON⁹, b. March 28, 1860; m. Mabel F. Sawtelle; res. W.

137. ERNEST J.⁹, b. July 2, 1872; res. W.

[136.] SAWIN, L. ASHTON⁹, s. of the last, and the only Sawin of the 9th generation set. in town, m. Mabel F., dau. of Evander and Sarah J. (Lewis) Sawtelle of Sydney, Me., Jan. 28, 1885. They have 1 chd.:

138. ALMA E.¹⁰, b. June 5, 1886.

All the Sawins thus far mentioned were descendants of Munning², second son of John¹, the immigrant, as indicated. Another branch of the family has been represented in town at different periods, springing from Thomas², the third and youngest son of the original settler. This Thomas² was a Narragansett soldier from Watertown, upon whose right his son John³ became a Grantee of Nar. No. 2, and drew lot No. 68, bordering on the E. side of Wachusett lake. This John³ is said to have been the first permanent white resident in Natick, where his s. John⁴ was b. 1721. John⁴ was the f. of Ezekiel⁵, b. 1752, who, entering the Continental army, was in the battle of Bunker Hill. In 1777 he m. Mary Parker and set. in Pn., where he d. 1816, having had a family of 11 chn.

139. SAWIN, EBENEZER⁶, s. of Ezekiel⁵ and Mary (Parker) Sawin, was b. Pn. in 1787. He m. Hannah, dau. of Isaac and Hannah (Walker) Williams, July 28, 1806. They res. sometimes in the Williams homestead, near the So. E. schoolhouse, and sometimes in the Narrows, he being for a time joint owner and manager of the sawmill which stood on the stream below the present residence of Samuel H. Sprague. He d. Oct. 20, 1821, a. 34. Hannah, his w., d. April 14, 1823, a. 35. Chn.:

140. LUCY⁷, b. 1806; d. June 11, 1823.

141. MISYLVIA A.⁷, b. 1809.

142. HANNAH⁷, b. 1811; m. Safford Clark; res. Ash.; had chn.

143. ISAAC W.⁷, b. 1814.

144. SUSAN⁷, b. 1816; m. John Kemp; res. Gr.

145. NANCY⁷, b. 1818; d. June 12, 1843.

146. CLARAMON⁷, b. 1821; m. Wm E. Rice; res. W.

[In closing this record of the Sawins of Westminster, it may be stated that a pamphlet of 48 pages entitled "*Sawin*: Summary notes concerning John Sawin and his posterity" was prepared and published in 1867 by Thomas E. Sawin of Wendell, to which the writer of this work acknowledges his indebtedness for many of the facts chronicled above. Thomas E. Sawin is of the Munning branch of the original stock, the line of descent from the immigrant running thus:—John¹, Munning², John³, Daniel⁴ (bro. of Stephen⁴ of W.), John⁵, John⁶, Thomas E.⁷, b. 1810.]

I. SAWTELL, MOSES, ancestry unkn., with w., Clarissa, was a res. in tn. for some years, as indicated by the record of the births of his 7 chn. copied herewith:

2. SUSAN A., b. — 17, 1821; d. infancy. 3. SUSAN A., b. Nov. 11, 1824.

4. EBENEZER W., b. Feb. 17, 1827.

5. WALTER H., b. Feb. 22, 1829; res. W.

6. BENJAMIN F., b. Jan. 11, 1830?

7. FRANCES A., b. Feb. 28, 1833.

8. GEORGE H., b. Dec. 29, 1835.

[5.] SAWTELL, WALTER H., s. of the last, m. Mary F., dau. of Philander C. and Louisa W. Brown, Oct. 31, 1860. He enlisted in the War of the Rebellion, and d. in hospital, July 26, 1864, of wounds received in battle. (See page 412.) His wid. m. (2) Andrew J. Bolton, July 28, 1870. She d. Dec. 23, 1888, a. 57. Walter and Mary F. Sawtell had:

6. EMMA F., b. Aug. 16, 1861; m. John F. Sawin; res. W.

SAWYER. Repeated and persevering attempts to trace the ancestral relations of the people of this name in town have been without satisfactory results. The parents, even, of the first two here have been only presumably determined. The latter came from Reading, where the family appeared quite early, but Sewall's History makes no mention of those who rem. to W. They were, without doubt, brothers, and their wives were sisters—the daus. of Capt. William and Susannah Flint, also of R. For want of authentic dates, little more can be given in this connection than a simple registry of the several families, with such personal notices as the information at hand and limited space allow.

1. SAWYER, JONATHAN, prob. s. of William of Reading, was b. ab. 1740. He came to W. in 1764 or early in 1765, and located on the farm now owned and occupied by Porter F. Page. He was a sturdy, enterprising, prosperous farmer, adding lot after lot to his original estate until he became one of the largest landed proprietors in town. His extensive domain joined, it may be, to a somewhat commanding presence, gave him the sobriquet of "King Sawyer," by which he was widely known in the later years of his life. Soon after coming here he m. Susannah, dau. of William and Susannah Flint of Reading, by whom he had a large family. He d. March 5, 1823, a. 80. His w., Susannah, d. Aug. 12, 1819, a. ab. 78. Chn.:

2. JONATHAN, b. Feb. 8, 1768; m. Betsey McCormick; res. South; 1 chd.
3. SUSANNAH, b. Feb. 22, 1770; m. John Jackson; res. W.; 8 chn.
4. JACOB, b. June 15, 1772; m. Mary Rice; res. W.
5. PEGGY, b. Dec. 9, 1773; m. Cyrus Winship; res. W.; 8 chn.
6. ZADOC, b. Feb. 4, 1776; m. Sally Kendall; res. W., etc.
7. ZIBAH, b. May 5, 1779; is said to have gone West and d. there unm.
8. NANCY, b. July 1, 1781; d. 1801.
9. LEVI, b. July 13, 1783; m. wid. Rand; res. W.
10. JULIA, b. Aug. 6, 1785; d. 1803.

[4.] SAWYER, JACOB, s. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Rev. Asaph and Elizabeth (Clough) Rice, Aug. 25, 1801. He res. on the paternal estate for some years, then disposed of his interest in it and rem. to the central village. Later in life himself and w. went to live with their daus. in Fg., and thence to Boston, where their last years were spent. He was a man of much natural ability and general intelligence, and of great physical strength. He served one year on the Sch. Com., and held other less important positions in town. His w. was an excellent woman, and their chn. were highly esteemed wherever known for their native talents, amiableness of disposition, courteous manners, and moral worth. Chn.:

11. Unnamed, b. prob. 1802; d. infancy.
12. MARY ALMIRA, b. Nov. 2, 1803; d. March 7, 1811.
13. NANCY AURELIA, b. Aug. 22, 1805; unm.; res. Fg. and Boston; dec'd.
14. BENJAMIN RICE, b. Jan. 1, 1807; d. March 15, 1807.
15. BENJAMIN RICE, b. Feb. 4, 1808; prob. d. young.
16. ELIZABETH C., b. March 4, 1810; unm.; res. Fg. and Boston; living.
17. GEORGE S., b. April 25, 1812; unm.; res. Vedula, La.; dec'd.
18. MARY C., b. Sept. 13, 1814; m. Rev. — Jackson; res. N. H.; chn.; living.
19. JULIA, b. March 11, 1816.
20. SUSANNAH F., b. May 9, 1817; d. July 8, 1838.
21. JACOB, b. June 4, 1820; d. May 2, 1837.
22. CATHARINE, b. Jan. 17, 1822.

George Shattuck Sawyer (17), of the above family, fitted for College at W. Academy, entering Dartmouth in 1835, and grad. 4 years afterward. He read law, and going South engaged in the practice of his profession at Vedula, Concordia Parish, La., where he had an honorable clientage and a prosperous career. He suffered much professionally and pecuniarily by the Rebellion, his business being essentially destroyed for some years. After the war he resumed practice, but the condition of the country was such as to greatly embarrass and to hinder his efforts. As order gradually came out of the prevailing chaos, he slowly recovered his lost fortunes as a lawyer and was securing something like his former patronage and prosperity, when he was suddenly stricken with death. The following Resolution, passed after his decease by the Concordia bar, shows in what estimation he was held by his professional brethren:

"*Resolved*, That in his death the bench, bar, and people of the parish have sustained a loss, not easily replaced, of a just lawyer and citizen—"a lawyer of erudition and energy, whose name has appeared as counsel in some of the most important cases in our courts." "His suit to recover parish bonds, issued without authority, saved the community nearly \$500,000."

[6.] SAWYER, ZADOC, another s. of Jonathan and Susannah, was m. to Sally Kendall, the records say, May 12, 1805. He res. in town some years, and was an active and public-spirited citizen. He was in trade with Rufus Dodd at the so-called Bradbury Store awhile, and after the death of Mr. D. purchased the heirs' interest in the concern and continued by himself till 1815, when he disposed of the property to David Cobb. He served the tn. as Selectman, as member of the Sch. Com., and also held for a time the office of Dep. Sheriff of Worc. Co. He moved ab. 1816 to Windham, Vt., and finally to Townshend in the same state, where himself and w. prob. d. Chn.:

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| 23. JOHN MILTON, b. Feb. 11, 1806. | 24. JULIA ANN, b. March 10, 1808. |
| 25. EDWIN, b. Oct. 6, 1810. | 26. FRANCIS D., b. Aug. 7, 1813. |
| 27. FRANKLIN, b. June 2, 1815. | |

After leaving W. they had Henry, Sarah, Delia, Augusta, but nothing is known of them.

[9.] SAWYER, LEVI, bro. of the last, lived on the paternal estate with Jacob for many years, and subsequently in different localities ab. tn. He m. Dec. 29, 1833, Fanny, wid. of Crosby Rand, and had, according to the records, but 1 chd.:

28. JULIA AUGUSTA, b. May 19, 1835; no account of her afterward.

29. SAWYER, NATHANIEL, bro. of Jonathan (1), and sup. s. of William of Reading, was b. there ab. 1737. He m. Jerusha Flint, sr. of Jonathan's w., prob. in 1761, and set. in his native place, where 6 of his 10 chn. were b. In May, 1768, he bought of Jonathan Townsend of W. lot No. 88, 3d Div., which Mr. T. seems to have occupied awhile afterward, Mr. Sawyer not

moving to town till ab. 1773. This lot was half a mile S. E. of the present residence of Porter F. Page. (See A. H. No. 8.) Mr. Sawyer was active in town affairs, and served in the office of Selectman 2 yrs., and elsewhere at the call of his fellow-citizens. He dropped dead in the field, July 26, 1797, a. 60. His wid., Jerusha, d. Feb. 20, 1824, a. 84. Their chn. were:

30. JERUSHA, b. May 25, 1762; m. Zachariah Rand; res. W., etc.
31. NATHANIEL, b. Feb. 14, 1764; m. Betsey Pierce; res. Rutland.
32. ELI, b. Oct. 18, 1765; m. Anna Laws; res. W.
33. REBECCA, b. Dec. 7, 1767; m. Asa Brooks; res. Vt.
34. AMOS, b. Dec. 13, 1769; m. Anna Willard; res. W.
35. DORCAS, b. Aug. 28, 1772; m. Joseph Edgell; res. W. and Gr.; 8 chn.
36. WILLIAM, b. Oct. 26, 1774; m. and res. at Exeter, N. H.
37. TAYMER, b. Nov. 28, 1776; d. young.
38. AARON, b. April 29, 1779; m. and had fam. at Nashua, N. H.
39. RACHEL, b. March 28, 1783; m. David McIntire; res. Fg.; sev. chn.

[32.] SAWYER, ELI, s. of the last, was b. at Reading, came to W. while yet a lad, and m. Anna, dau. of James and Anna (Danforth) Laws, July 1, 1790. He set. upon his father's estate and was in his generation a leading farmer in the No. part of the town. Of his large family, mostly daus., little has been learned. He d. June 30, 1841, a. 75. His wid., Anne, d. Oct. 3, 1856, a. 88. Chn.:

40. ANNA, b. May 16, 1791; m. Levi Rice; res. Ash.; 7 chn.; d. Aug. 29, 1883.
41. POLLY, b. Nov. 24, 1792; m. Nathan Hartwell; res. Fg.
42. JOEL, b. Dec. 13, 1794; d. Aug. 11, 1798.
43. REBECCA, b. Oct. 8, 1796; m. Josiah Hartwell; res. Fg.
44. ABEL, b. Sept. 4, 1798; m. Lucy Holt, etc.; res. W. and Ash.; 7 chn.
45. RHODA, b. July 11, 1800; m. Nathan Hartwell.
46. MARIA, b. Jan. 29, 1802; m. Joseph F. Burgess; res. Ash.
47. SOPHIA, b. Nov. 30, 1803.
48. ROENA, b. Feb. 20, 1806; m. John M. Sawyer.
49. JAMES L., b. Jan. 18, 1810.

[34.] SAWYER, AMOS, bro. of the last, also b. at Reading, m. (1) Anne Willard of Fg. (pub. March 26, 1793), who bore him one chd. and d. soon after. He m. (2) Abigail B., dau. of Charles Willard, Fg., presumably sr. of his first w., Dec. 15, 1796. He bought and settled on the place owned by his bro.-in-law, Zachariah Rand, on B. P. hill, No. 7, 2d Div., which, later in life, he sold to another bro.-in-law, David McIntire. It was the recent Robert McTaggart farm. He d. Jan. 31, 1848, a. 78. His wid., Abigail B., d. Jan. 6, 1855, a. 78. Chn.:

50. JERUSHA, b. July 29, 1793; m. Amos Polly; res. N. Salem.
51. AMOS, b. Aug. 17, 1797; m. Mary Brooks; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.
52. BETSEY W., b. March 23, 1800; m. Amos Sheldon; res. Fg.; 3 chn.
53. JOHN, b. June 24, 1802; m. and res. Nova Scotia.
54. CHARLES W., b. Dec. 6, 1804; m. Melecinda P. Cobb; res. W.
55. SANFORD, b. May 13, 1810; m. twice; res. W.
56. SARAH, b. June 11, 1813; m. Joseph Pierce; res. Fg.; no chn.
57. STILLMAN, b. May 10, 1818; m. Charlotte Gates; res. Townsend; 2 chn.

William Sawyer (36) grad. Harvard Coll. in the class of 1800, studied law and attained something of distinction in the profession at Exeter, N. H., and vicinity, where he had a large and lucrative practice.

Aaron Sawyer (38) grad. Dartmouth Coll. in 1805. He also studied law and located at Nashua, N. H., gaining a reputable standing among his associates at the bar as well as in the community for his legal acquirements and personal worth.

[44.] SAWYER, ABEL, s. of Eli and Anna (Laws) Sawyer, m. (1) Lucy Holt, who d. Dec. 29, 1842, a. 39; (2) Rhoda Weston, who d. Dec. 23, 1855, and (3) Ann Kenney. He res. here till 1831, then res. Ash., where he d. April 9, 1883, a. 84. He had 7 chn., 3 b. W.:

58. LUCY A., b. July 28, 1822; m. S. E. Jaquith; res. Ashby; d. May 5, 1870.

59. ABIGAIL D., b. June 13, 1828; m. J. S. Gibson; res. Ash.; 2 chn.

60. ADALINE M., b. Aug. 15, 1830; m. Ezra M. Merritt; res. Ash.; 1 chd.; d. Aug. 14, 1886.

[51.] SAWYER, AMOS, s. of Amos and Abigail (Willard) Sawyer, m. Mary, dau. Simeon Brooks of Ash. (pub. Oct. 25), 1823. Only two chn. recorded in W.:

61. AUGUSTUS, b. June 6, 1825.

62. WILLIAM PORTER, b. April 30, 1829.

[54.] SAWYER, CHARLES W., bro. of the last, m. Melecinda P., dau. Samuel and Lucinda (Shumway) Cobb, Dec. 29, 1827. He built and occupied the house near No. Common, owned by the late Edmund A. Proctor, but his life was soon cut off. He d. Oct. 1845, a. 40. His wid. subsequently m. Reuben Fisher. She is still living at Brattleboro', Vt. Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer had 2 chn.:

63. CHARLES F., b. Nov. 8, 1828.

64. HARRIET E., b. July 2, 1831.

[55.] SAWYER, SANFORD, s. of Amos and Abigail, m. (1) Samantha Ellis, who bore him 4 chn. and died. He m. (2) Martha, dau. of Jonas Cutler, in 1851, by whom he had 2 chn. Much of his mature life was spent out of town, but he res. here several years before his death, which occurred Jan. 28, 1889. His chn., all b. elsewhere, were: Sanford A., who was in the War of the Rebellion; Walter, who d. many years since; Charles, a res. of Somerville; one who d. young,—by first wife. By the last:—Oliver, who d. young, and Frank N., who m. Marion Ames and had 1 chd., dec'd. He res. W.

SEAVER.

This name in its primitive form, Sever, is an ancient one in the mother country, and, as a family designation, was derived, very likely, from the occupation of the person to whom it was first applied, the word being a modification of *siever*,—a sifter, or the user of a sieve. If, however, it originated in Holland, as some have supposed, it comes from the Dutch "seve," which is *sieve* in English, indicating the same origin as before mentioned. A third conjecture is that it was of Scandinavian descent, in which language the word *seve* signifies a rush, and a *sever* would be a worker in rushes, of which many household articles were made in the long-gone past. But whichever of these theories be the true one, the term *sever* was, no doubt, first employed to distinguish some individual from all others having the same Christian appellation, by affixing thereto his special calling in life. In this way have many of the most common English surnames, such as Carter, Taylor, Sawyer, Wheelwright, etc., gained a place in family nomenclature.

The first N. E. immigrant by the name of Sever (as it was spelled for three or four generations), so far as is known, was Robert¹, who came hither in the ship *Mary and John*, in 1634, and located at Roxbury. He had a s. Shubaed², the f. of Joseph³, who m. Mary Reed, Dec. 10, 1750, and who,

after residing awhile in Dorchester, rem. to Framingham, or what was then prob. Sudbury. He had a large number of chn., two of whom found their way to Westminster at an early period of its history.

By the kindness of Rev. Nathaniel Seaver of Milbury, a "Coat of Arms" belonging to a titled branch of the English family, is herewith presented.



1. SEVER, ROBERT⁴, s. of Joseph³ and Mary (Reed) Sever, was b. in 1703 and m. Sept. 2, 1726, Eunice Raymond of Boston. He and his two oldest sons enlisted in the first Louisburg expedition, and were present at the surrender of that redoubtable fortress, June 28, 1745. His house at Sudbury with its belongings was consumed by fire in Oct., 1748, whereupon he petitioned the Col. Leg. for relief as follows: "My house was burned and consumed all the little substance I had in the world, it being in movables and bonds and bills of credit, and amongst the money yr petr lost was one 8^{pd} one 3^{pd} and one 3^{pd} and one 4^{pd} all of this Province old Tenor." In view of which and of his patriotic services the court granted him £3 15s. Soon after the loss of his dwelling, he came with his family to Nar. No. 2, and set. upon right lot No. 70, in the S. E. part of the township, which he purchased of Josiah Brown of Sudbury, Nov. 20, 1750. In the spring of 1751 he had "a frame of a house, 3 acres of land fenced, 2 cleared and 1 broken up ready for planting." This frame of a house was located upon the highlands, nearly a mile N. E. of the outlet of Wachusett Lake. (See A. H. No. 88.) The death of Mr. Sever occurred prob. early in 1752. Three years later his wid. sold the property to Luke Brown, Worcester, and he in turn to John Estabrook in 1760. She however continued to res. in W., where she d. in 1773 or 74. The chn. of Robert and Eunice (Raymond) Sever, so far as ascertained, are named below:

2. JOSEPH⁵, b. Sudbury, June 10, 1727; nothing more kn.
3. BENJAMIN⁵, b. Framingham, Oct. 8, 1728.
4. THANKFUL⁵, b. Fram., Oct. 6., 1731.
5. NORMAN⁵, b. 1734 or 5, place unknown; m. Sarah Reed; res. W., etc.
6. HANNAH⁵, place, date of birth, etc., unkn.
7. SAMUEL⁵, b. Sudbury, April 8, 1747; m. Sarah — ; res. W.

[5.] SEAVER, NORMAN⁵, the s. of Robert⁴ and Eunice, was b., according to tombstone, in 1734 or 5, either at Fram. or Sudbury. He seems to have come to Nar. No. 2 with his f., money being paid him for work for the Proprietors in 1751. After his f.'s death he returned to Sudbury, where he m. March 14, 1755, Sarah, dau. of Jacob and Experience Reed, and lived for a few years, rem. thence to Shrewsbury (now Boylston). Early in 1773, prob., he came again to W. and purchased lots Nos. 76 and 122, 3d Div., of Heman Kendall. The estate was the same so long occupied by his gd.s., Isaac Seaver, lying between Prospect and Beech Hills. He was a carpenter by trade, and took the contract for a certain portion of the work on the second meetinghouse of the town. At the time of the "raising," July 31, 1787, he fell from the frame, receiving injuries which proved almost immediately fatal. His wid., Sarah (Reed) Seaver, d. in 1808. They had a large fam., as set forth in the register below:

8. EUNICE⁶, b. May 3, 1755; m. Elisha Whitney; res. W.; sev. chn.
9. BENJAMIN⁶, b. April 21, 1757; m. Martha Whitney; res. W.
10. SARAH⁶, b. Jan. —, 1759; m. Josiah Cutter; res. W.; 4 chn.
11. JOSEPH⁶, b. March 13, 1761; d. in Rev. war.
12. ISAAC⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1763; d. in Rev.
13. ETHAN⁶, b. Sept. 24, 1765; m. Lydia —; res. Gr.; 3 chn.
14. DANIEL⁶, b. June 28, 1767; res. Batavia, N. Y.
15. HEMAN⁶, b. May 6, 1769; m. twice; res. Montreal; 4 chn.; d. Dec. 19, 1835.
16. LUTHER⁶, b. April 13, 1771; res. Gr. and Temp.; m. and had sev. chn.
17. RELIEF⁶, b. Sept. 25, 1774?; d. Aug. 20, 1795.
18. ASAH⁶, b. Oct. 2, 1775; m. Hannah Gager; res. W.
19. FAITHFUL⁶, b. Aug. 2, 1777; m. Isaac Brooks; res. Ash.; 3 chn.
20. LUCINDA⁶, b. March 23, 1780; m. — Frost; res. Montreal; 2 chn.

Heman Seaver⁶ (15), of the above family, was a highly successful teacher in Marlboro'. He finally settled in Montreal, Can., where he became wealthy. He m. (1) Elizabeth Weeks and (2) Sarah Rice, and had 4 chn. A son, Wm. R. Seaver, was recently a clergyman in Pontiac, Mich. A dau., Sarah R., is wife of Prof. Horace Day of New Haven, Conn.

[7.] SEAVER, SAMUEL⁵, bro. of the last, m. ab. 1771, Sarah —, and lived in tn. some 12 years. He was a soldier in Co. of Capt. Edmund Bemis, enlisting for 8 months' service immediately after the battle of Lexington, and was very likely at the Bunker Hill fight. Nothing has been learned of the family subsequent to the close of the Rev. Chn., natives of W.:

21. SAMUEL⁶, b. May 9, 1772.
22. ROBERT RAYMOND⁶, b. Oct. 7, 1774; d. Sept. 24, 1778.
23. GEORGE D.⁶, b. Sept. 24, 1776.
24. BETSEY⁶, b. May 1, 1779.
25. PERLEY⁶, b. Dec. 17, 1781.

[9.] SEAVER, BENJAMIN⁶, s. of Norman⁵ and Sarah (Reed) Seaver, was b. in Sudbury, April 21, 1757, m. Martha, dau. of Samuel and Abigail (Fletcher) Whitney (pub. May 15, 1783), and set. upon the homestead of his f. He d. July, 1816, a. 59. She d. Sept. 2, 1832, a. 70. Chn.:

26. ACHSAH W.⁷, b. Dec. 30, 1784; m. Abram Mosman; res. W.; 11 chn.
27. ABIGAIL⁷, b. Dec. 2, 1786; m. Jabez Fairbanks; res. Gr.; 2 chn.
28. JOH⁷, b. May 1, 1789; d. July 4, 1868; a. 79; unm.
29. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Nov. 15, 1791; m. Abigail Gates; res. W.

30. SUSANNAH W.⁷, b. July 27, 1794; d. ab. 1880.
31. MARTHA⁷, b. Feb. 10, 1797; m. Amasa Leland; res. Gr.; 8 chn.
32. SILAS W.⁷, b. Nov. 24, 1799; m. Rhoda Leland; res. W. and Sud.; large family.
33. ISAAC⁷, b. Dec. 20, 1802; m. Abigail, wid. of Benj.; res. W.
34. ROSILLA⁷, b. March 16, 1806; d. Sept. 18, 1825.
35. MARY JANE⁷, b. April 14, 1812; m. Charles Harrington; res. Pn.; sev. chn.; d. 1892.

[18.] SEAVER, ASAH⁶EL R.⁶, bro. of the last, m. Hannah, dau. of Jeremiah and Ruth (Walker) Gager (pub. Sept. 24), 1800, and set. upon the farm originally owned by his w.'s gd.f., Daniel Walker, in the south part of the town, on which his s. Isaac res. for many years. He d. July 14, 1849, a. 75. His wid., Hannah, d. March 5, 1853, a. 74. Chn.:

36. ASAH⁷EL, b. March 5, 1802; m. Tamer R. Hill; res. W.
37. LUCINDA⁷, b. March 19, 1804; m. Daniel Foskett; res. W.; 6 chn.
38. HANNAH⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1806; d. Nov. 10, 1806.
39. ISAAC⁷, b. Aug. 1, 1808; m. Betsey Perry; res. W.
40. HEMAN⁷, b. Feb. 9, 1811; m. Felinda N. Wilder; res. W., etc.
41. WILLIAM⁷, b. Dec. 11, 1812; m. Ruth E. Elmore, etc.; res. W., etc.; 1 chd.; d. March 6, 1872.
42. J. MILTON⁷, b. Oct. 4, 1816; m. Augusta Hinds; res. Oakham; d. Feb. 18, 1869; a physician.
43. JULIA ANN⁷, b. March 22, 1820; m. Josiah Foster; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
44. AUGUSTUS W.⁷, b. Jan. 4, 1825; m. Jane Elmore; res. Worc.; 1 chd.; d. 1890.

[29.] SEAVER, BENJAMIN⁷, s. of Benjamin⁶ and Abigail, m. Abigail, dau. of Nathan and Abigail (Knowlton) Gates of Gr., March, 1817, and succeeded to the estate of his f., who had d. the previous year. His life was brief, terminating May 25, 1825, when he was but 33 years old. His wid. m. (2) his bro. Isaac, as noted below. Chn.:

45. ABIGAIL⁸, b. Aug. 7, 1817; m. Samuel A. Monroe; 2 chn.; 1.
46. LUCINDA⁸, b. Oct. 18, 1821; m. James R. Bruce; res. W.
47. ISAAC⁸, b. Oct. 16, 1823; m. Lucretia T. Smith; res. W. and Leom.; 5 chn.
48. BENJAMIN⁸, b. Feb. 21, 1825; d. by an accident, Aug. 26, 1836.

[33.] SEAVER, ISAAC⁷, bro. of the last, was m. to his wid., Abigail (Gates), Nov. 13, 1832, and set. on the same estate. He d. March 1, 1870, a. 67. His wid. d. Jan. 4, 1867, a. 69. They had:

49. LYMAN⁸, b. April 23, 1834; m. Ann S. Gordon; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. July 19, 1888.
50. LORING B.⁸, b. Nov. 15, 1837; went Cal. and m.; no chn.; d. Nov. 10, 1884.

[36.] SEAVER, ASAH⁷EL, s. of Asah⁶EL R.⁶ and Hannah, m. Tamer R., dau. of Nathaniel and Annis (Whitcomb) Hill, Gr., May 14, 1826. After res. at various points in town, he located near Cedar Swamp, where he d. Dec. 16, 1862, a. 61. His wid. d. March 27, 1873, a. 67. Chn.:

51. NORMAN⁸, b. Feb. 7, 1828; m. Christiana Lovewell; res. W.
52. HIRAM⁸, b. Feb. 27, 1833; m. Mary S. Chickering; res. Temp.
53. THOMAS⁸, b. Feb. 16, 1837; d. Dec. 8, 1839.
54. MARY E.⁸, b. Oct. 9, 1838; m. Otis W. Sawin; res. W.; 1 chd.; living.
55. SEWALL W.⁸, b. March 5, 1843; m. Mary J. Bickford; res. W.
56. JULIA ETNA⁸, b. Jan. 26, 1849; drowned Gr., May 24, 1870.

[39.] SEAVER, ISAAC⁷, bro. of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of Joseph Perry, in 1837. After res. elsewhere in tn. awhile he set. on his f.'s homestead, where his later years were spent. He d. June 18, 1891, a. 82. His w. d. April 1, 1888, a. 72. Chn.:

- 57. ELLEN E.⁸, b. Aug. 26, 1838; m. S. M. Sawin, etc.; res. W.
- 58. Silas W.⁸, b. March 14, 1841; m. Ellen M. Garfield; res. W.
- 59. EDWARD A.⁸, b. March 16, 1845; m. twice; res. W., etc.
- 60. ADALAIDE A.⁸, b. May 13, 1849; m. Ansel Bishop; res. W.
- 61. FRANK H.⁸, b. Feb. 26, 1855; d. June 4, 1865.

[40.] SEAVER, HEMAN⁷, bro. of the last, m. Felinda N. Wilder of Lanc., March 27, 1836, and after res. here awhile rem. to Schenectady, N. Y., where he d. Nov. 10, 1875, a. 64, and his w. at unkn. date. They had but 1 chd.:

- 62. GEORGE O.⁸, b. Oct. 11, 1838; a merchant at S.

[47.] SEAVER, ISAAC⁸, s. of Benjamin⁷ and Abigail, m. (1) Juliette, dau. of Reuben Glazier of Rutland, but she seems to have d. Sept. 21, 1847, a. 21, s. p. He m. (2) Lucretia T. Smith of Medfield, by whom he had 2 chn. He served in the Civil war. (See p. 412.) Chn.:

- 63. LIZZIE LUCINDA⁹, b. March 26, 1858.
- 64. ELLEN MONA⁹, b. Oct. 16, 1861.

[49.] SEAVER, LYMAN⁸, half-bro. of the last, m. Ann Sophia Gordon and had 1 chd.:

- 65. EMMA ESTELLE⁹, b. May 3, 1859; m. Hubert T. Clark; no chn.; living.

[51.] SEAVER, NORMAN⁸, s. of Asahel⁷ and Tamer, m. May 22, 1862, Christiana, dau. of Jesse and Betsey (Cowee) Lovewell of Hub. He was a chair maker by trade, and came to his death by falling into an elevator well at A. Merriam's factory, So. W., Aug. 29, 1879, at the age of 51. His wid. is still living. Chn.:

- 66. DELLA M.⁹, b. July 11, 1867.
- 67. FLORA A.⁹, b. Sept. 8, 1870.
- 68. IDA L.⁹, b. Nov. 14, 1873.
- 69. SARAH E.⁹, b. Oct. 8, 1875.

[55.] SEAVER, SEWALL WHITCOMB⁸, bro. of the last, m. Mary Jane, dau. of Francis and Lydia Bickford, Gr., March 21, 1863. He d. May 30, 1881, a. 38. Chn.:

- 70. JENNIE A.⁹, b. Jan. 9, 1864.
- 71. EMMERGENE⁹, b. Jan. 4, 1867.
- 72. CORA A.⁹, b. May 13, 1869.
- 73. HENRY W.⁹, b. July 26, 1871.
- 74. —, b. Nov. 9, 1878.
- 75. MILO S.⁹, b. Sept. 19, 1881.

[58.] SEAVER, SILAS W.⁸, s. of Isaac⁷ and Betsey, m. Ellen M., dau. of Paul and Alone (Cheever) Garfield, Pn., Aug. 7, 1864. He is a mechanic and res. at So. W. Chn.:

- 76. HATTIE A.⁹, b. Aug. 30, 1868; m. Geo. C. Baker; res. W.; 1 chd.
- 77. HARRISON E.⁹, b. Nov. 29, 1871.
- 78. MARY E.⁹, b. Oct. 19, 1883; d. Jan. 5, 1884.

[59.] SEAVER, EDWARD A.⁸, bro. of the last, was pub. to Almesta R. Foster of Temp., according to the records, in Nov.,

1861, when but 16 yrs. of age, but no further account of him is found till 1885, when he is reported as m. to Julia F. McDonald, a native of Prince Edward's Island. He left town several years since. His chn., as recorded, are:

79. ETHEL M.³, b. Feb. 3, 1885.

80. MABEL C.³, b. May 31, 1886.

81. FRANK A.³, b. Dec. 12, 1887; d. Jan. 24, 1888.

82. FRANK G.³, b. July 16, 1890.

83. SEVER, NATHANIEL⁴, bro. of Robert⁴ (1), was b. prob. at Sudbury, April 1, 1709. He m. Rebecca Willis of that town, Feb., 1737-8, who, after bearing him 8 chn., d.; and (2) Judith Treadway of Fram., who added 7 to the number. The different records relating to this family involve problems not easy of solution. For want of space they are not detailed here.

Mr. Sever came to Nar. No. 2 evidently as early as 1750, and settled on lot No. 30, the second from the pond on the E. side, where F. A. Taylor now lives. In the spring of 1751 he had erected on that lot "the frame of a house, had cleared and fenced 3 acres of land, and was residing there with his family."

On the 14th of December, 1758, he sold the estate to Nathan Parker of Reading, but remained in the place nine years longer, whether as tenant of Mr. Parker or otherwise does not appear. He was undoubtedly very poor, being moved to Templeton in 1767 at the town's expense. He d. in Temp. in 1777. His oldest s., Elijah, seems to have been located awhile on lot 23, 2d Div.,—the Edward Jackson, Jr., place, Beech Hill,—which was drawn on home lot No. 30, but no record of a family has been found. One of his younger sons, Richard Crafts Sever, studied medicine and became a physician of large practice and of enviable reputation in Phillipston and vicinity. The entire family of Mr. Sever is appended.

84. ELIJAH⁵, b. June 16, 1739.

86. JOSIAH W.⁵, b. July 18, 1742.

88. JOSEPH⁵, b. Jan. 26, 1745-6.

90. CATHARINE⁵; bap. Aug. 28, 1748.

92. LUTHER⁵.

94. FANNY⁵.

96. BETTY⁵.

98. JOHN REED⁵.

85. ANNA⁵, b. Jan. 3, 1740-1; d. young.

87. REBECCA⁵, b. Feb. 3, 1743-4.

89. MARY⁵, b. Jan. 26, 1745-6; d. young.

91. NATHANIEL⁵, b. prob. 1750.

93. CALVIN⁵.

95. ROBERT⁵.

97. RICHARD CRAFTS⁵.

99. SEAVER, JOSEPH⁸, s. of Aaron⁷ and Louisa (Fairbank) Seaver of Gr. and gds. of Ethan (13), was b. Sept. 11, 1835. He m. Nancy, dau. Anson and Emily (Jackson) Ray, Dec. 5, 1855, and after residing at Gr., Fg., and Leom., came to W. in 1884 and settled on the Edward Jackson, Jr., place, Beech Hill. Chn.:

100. EMMA L.⁹, b. Gr., Feb. 15, 1857; d. Nov. 7, 1857.

101. FRANK J.⁹, b. Gr., Feb. 14, 1859.

102. CHARLES O.⁹, b. Fg., March 21, 1864.

103. ALICE E.⁹, b. Leom., Jan. 27, 1873.

104. CARRIE⁹, b. Leom., March 4, 1880.

1. SHARON, EDWARD, ptge. unkn., was b. Boston, Dec. 24, 1844?. He m. March 29, 1866, Emily M., dau. of Geo. W. and Emily W. Merriam of Pn., and has had 4 chn.:

2. GEORGE E., b. April 23, 1868.

3. MARY L., b. Oct. 10, 1875.

4. FRANK L., b. Feb. 3, 1884.

5. MAUDE B., b. Sept. 16, 1886.

1. SHEPARD, W. H. H., M. D., s. of Wm. A. and Altania (Haston) Shepard, was b. Warren, July 16, 1841. He received his academic education at Westfield, and studied for his profession at the Berkshire Med. School, Pittsfield. He began practice in Sturbridge, but came to W. in 1866, and here remained through life. For sev. yrs. he was the only physician in town. His health becoming impaired, he started for the Azores in Nov., 1885, hoping to be essentially benefited by the change. The vessel on which he was a passenger was wrecked at Funchal, Madeira, Dec. 16, and he ret. home *via* Liverpool, arriving Jan. 17, 1886. He d. three weeks afterward, Feb. 7, a. 44.

Dr. Shepard m. (1) Jennie, dau. of David W. and Caroline (Wheeler) Hill, June 27, 1871. She bore him 3 chn. and d. Nov. 1, 1879. He m. (2) Jessie L., dau. of David W. and Lucia (Marvin) Hill, June 16, 1881. She still survives him. Chn.:

2. GRACE A., b. March 24, 1872.

3. EDNA E., b. Jan. 30, 1874.

4. HERMAN A., b April 2, 1877.

SHUMWAY.

This family was no doubt of French origin, and prob. belonged, in its transatlantic home, to the greatly persecuted Protestant sect of Huguenots, so celebrated in the history of civil and religious liberty. Its first representative in N. E. was Peter Shumway¹, who appeared ab. the middle of the 17th century and set. in the town of Topsfield. He was a soldier in King Philip's War, and is said to have been present at the taking of the fort in the memorable swamp fight. He had a s. Peter², b. June 6, 1678, who went to Boxford and m. there Mariah Smith, Feb. 11, 1700-1. Of this union 6 chn. were b. before 1713, when the family rem. to Oxford, to join the declining Huguenot settlement there, and in that place three more were b. Of these three was Amos³, from whom, by his w., Ruth Parker, sprang the branch that was transplanted to W.

1. SHUMWAY, ABISHAI⁴, s. of the last named, was b. Oxford, Oct. 3, 1754. Of his early life little has been learned. Choosing a professional career, he fitted himself for the practice of medicine. He m., when ab. 30 yrs. of age, Abial Stone, and some 2 years afterwards came to this town, being first taxed here in 1786. He seems to have located to begin with in what is now the central village, and for a while taught in the public schools in connection with his medical practice, but he soon gave himself wholly to his profession, in which he gained an honorable and gratifying success. An old account book, covering some 12 or 15 years of practice, in possession of his grandson, Handel M. Shumway of Cleveland, O., is an interesting testimonial to the professional character and general standing of Dr.

Shumway in the community at large. After res. in town ab. 3 years, he bought a small lot of land three-fourths of a mile from Main st., where he built the house now occupied by Charles Mosman, and where he lived till his removal to Gr. in 1830. He d. Feb. 9, 1844, a. 89. His w., Abial, passed away long before he left W., Oct. 14, 1815, a. 63. Chn.:

2. LUCINDA⁵, b. Feb. 18, 1786; m. Samuel Cobb; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. 1818.
3. NEHEMIAH⁵, b. Dec. 25, 1790; m. Matilda Bolton; res. W. and Gr.

[3.] SHUMWAY, NEHEMIAH⁵, m. Dec. 24, 1815, Matilda, dau. Capt. Aaron and Dorcas (Winship) Bolton. He was a hatter by trade, and had a small manufactory in the gully a few rods E. of his father's house. He subsequently owned and run a store on or near the site now occupied by the W. bank. In 1830 he rem. to Gr., taking his aged father with him, and engaged in such light labors as his impaired health and waning strength would allow. He d. Sept. 16, 1838, a. 47. His wid. m. (2) a Mr. Townsend. She d. March 26, 1880, a. 83. The chn. of Nehemiah and Matilda were:

4. CAROLINE A.⁶, b. Feb. 5, 1817; m. Amasa Bancroft; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; d. Sept. 12, 1858.
5. CHARLES A.⁶, b. April 27, 1818; m. Adaline Davis; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; living.
6. ALMIRA M.⁶, b. April 17, 1820; d. Sept. 29, 1838.
7. ALBERT A.⁶, b. Jan. 7, 1824; d. Oct. 30, 1848.
8. EDWIN S.⁶, b. Aug. 14, 1826; d. Sept. 10, 1838.
9. HANDEL M.⁶, b. March 21, 1828; m. Martha Underwood; res. Cleveland, O.; 3 chn.; living.

I. SIMONDS, CHARLES A., s. of Albert G. and Sarah (Woodcock) Simonds of Athol (lineage unascertained), was b. Nov. 13, 1842. He m. Nov. 13, 1866, Martha A., dau. Greenwood and Emily Partridge of Winchendon, and after living awhile in that tn., and later at Athol, came here in 1877 and located at So. W., where he entered the service of A. Merriam as a mechanic. Chn.:

2. IDA E., b. Winch., Sept. 12, 1867; m. F. A. Merriam; res. W.
3. LEON M., b. Athol, July 17, 1871.

4. SIMONDS, S. DWIGHT, bro. of the last, was b. Athol, Feb. 4, 1846, came to W. in his early manhood, and m. Ida E., dau. of Artemas and Salome (Holden) Merriam, Dec. 15, 1875. He is a bookkeeper in the counting-room of his father-in-law, and res. at So. W. He is active in public affairs, and has been honored with an election to the office of Selectman for four successive yrs. He also represented (in part) the District to which W. belonged in the Legislature of 1888. Chn.:

5. RALPH MERRIAM, b. Oct. 24, 1878.
6. ERNEST WINIFRED, b. May 28, 1880; d. infancy.
7. DONALD DWIGHT, b. Oct. 20, 1885.

SMITH. A considerable number of families bearing this name have res. in W. at different periods of its history, a few of which are still repre-

sented here. But all efforts to trace them to their immigrant ancestor have in every instance proved unsuccessful. Whether or not they were of the same original stock has not been determined, nor has any bond of kinship been found to exist between different branches of them, though it is more than probable that some of those branches were not very distantly related to each other. The multitude of Smiths in the country renders the tracing lines of descent, in most cases, little else than a "wild goose" chase, more tantalizing than satisfactory. The record below begins with the first upon the W. territory.

1. SMITH, ASAH, from Sudbury, was in the place as early as Oct., 1757, when he had a road laid out from his lot, where Edmond T. Smith now res., southward across the river to a point near the No. Common. This lot he had bought early the same year of Nathaniel Sever. His w. was Mary Puffer, but no complete record of his chn. has been found. They were prob. all born elsewhere, and there is some doubt whether or not he ever located his family on his estate, or even built a permanent dwelling there for his own occupancy. The date of his d. is unkn., as is that of his w.

2. SMITH, SILAS, s. of the last, was b., prob. in Sudbury, 1759. He located in this town ab. 1787, in which year he was first taxed. His father conveyed the above named lot to him June 18, 1791, and there he had his home. He m. (1) June 8, 1788, Hannah, dau. Jonas Winship. She d. s. p. at an unknown date, and he m. (2) Hannah Burgess, May 31, 1796. He d. Jan. 30, 1821, a. 61. Date of her d. unkn. Their chn. were:

3. SILAS, b. Jan. 11, 1797; m. Sarah W. Wilder; res. W., etc.
4. SIDNEY, b. July 20, 1798; m. twice; res. W., etc.
5. HANNAH, b. July 20, 1800; m. Edmund Tarbell, 2d w.
6. SOPHIA, b. Aug. 29, 1802; m. Edmund Tarbell; res. Groton; sev. chn.; d.
7. ASAH, b. June 15, 1804; m. Clarissa Rand; res. Columbus, O.; sev. chn.
8. ANNA, b. Feb. 12, 1807; m. — Hughes; res. Leom.; no chn.
9. GEORGE, b. Dec. 24, 1808; m. Lucy Gates; res. Leom.
10. DOLLY, b. Nov. 26, 1810; d. Aug. 19, 1814.
11. EMELINE, b. July 12, 1813; m. — Richardson; res. Leom.
12. BENJAMIN S., b. Aug. 26, 1815; m. — Worcester; res. Vermont; sev. chn.
13. DOLLY, b. June 6, 1818; m. Henry Abbott; res. Brockton.
14. ISAAC N., b. Sept. 28, 1820; m. Susan G. Hosmer; res. W.

[3.] SMITH, SILAS, s. of the last, m. Sarah W. Wilder in 1826 (pub. April 5), and lived for some years on the old homestead, Bragg Hill. Ab. 1837 he rem. to Farmington, Ia., where his youngest chd. was b. When the California fever broke out, he joined a party to go thither, accompanied by his two oldest sons. On their way by the overland route, he d. His sons proceeded to their destination, but subsequently returned to Farmington. Mrs. Smith d. in 1889, at a very advanced age. Chn.:

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| 15. GEORGE W., b. Aug. 5, 1827. | 16. SARAH ANN, b. Jan. 6, 1830. |
| 17. THOMAS J., b. Jan. 20, 1832. | 18. JAMES M., b. Nov. 9, 1834. |
| 19. ABBY C., b. Aug. 24, 1836. | 20. NANCY, b. Iowa, ab. 1838. |

[4.] SMITH, SIDNEY, bro. of the last, m. (1) Harriet, dau. of Joel and Thirza (Wheeler) Page, in 1827, and set. on the place

now owned and occupied by J. Hervey Miller. He sold out in 1836, and rem. to Sterling, where his remaining days were spent. His w., Harriet, d. by her own hand, Aug. 6, 1843, a. 34, leaving 4 chn. He then m. (2) Wid. Abby W. (Houghton) Whitney, by whom he had 9 more chn. He d. May 19, 1871, a. 72. His wid. d. March 1, 1880, a. 61. Chn. by 1st w.:

21. HARRIET M., b. W., June 30, 1830; m. Henry Babbitt, Boston; 5 chn.; living.
22. JANE W., b. Sept. 9, 1834; m. John W. Kendall; res. Camb.; 1 chd.; living.
23. CHARLES S., b. June 30, 1838; m. Elvira Raymond, etc.; res. W.; 6 chn.; l.
24. ELIZABETH M., b. May 20, 1840; m. Wm. Hartwell; no chn.; living.

[14.] SMITH, ISAAC NEWELL, youngest s. of Silas and Hannah (Burgess), m. Susan G. Hosmer of Leom., and after res. in sev. localities a few yrs., set. on the Cowee place near No. Common, where he d. Feb. 11, 1893, a. 72. His w. d. ab. 1863. Chn.:

25. SARAH E., b. May 9, 1846; m. Horace L. Hicks; res. Leom.; 2 chn.; living.
26. JOSIAH H., b. Aug. 26, 1847; res. W.; unm.
27. SIDNEY N., b. Dec. 2, 1848; m. Elvira Smith; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
28. ABBY F., b. June 24, 1850; m. Augustus W. Newell; res. W.
29. HANNAH B., b. Aug. 2, 1852; m. Albert Smith; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
30. LUCY A. W., b. March 25, 1854; m. Thomas T. Morrill; res. Brockton; 9 chn.; l.
31. SOPHIA A., b. Oct. 26, 1856; m. Solomon Ashline; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; living.
32. EDMOND T., b. March 22, 1858; m. Jennie Fram; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
33. CHRISTOPHER, b. Feb. 12, 1860; d. Oct. 20, 1867.

[27.] SMITH, SIDNEY N., s. of the last, m. Jan. 3, 1878, Elvira, dau. of Lorenzo and Betsey Smith of Ash., and has 3 chn.:

34. FRANK S., b. March 9, 1879.
35. MARY E., b. May 28, 1882.
36. G. GERTRUDE, b. Sept. 9, 1889.

37. SMITH, CHARLES, s. of Asahel and Mary (Puffer) Smith, was b. Sudbury ab. 1766, and came to W. soon after attaining his majority. March 26, 1792, he bought of his bro., Silas, lot No. 86, 2d Div., on which Albert Minott now res., and located there. He m. Polly Burgess of Ash., and had a large family. He d. March 26, 1840, a. 74. His wid. survived him 21 yrs., d. May 10, 1861, a. 80. Chn.:

38. MARY, b. Aug. 29, 1799; m. Jesse Spalding; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. June, 1873.
39. MILTON, b. Aug. 19, 1802; res. W.; d. unm. July 19, 1846.
40. MARIA, b. Dec. 16, 1804; m. Joel Baker; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 24, 1884.
41. MERCY B., b. Dec. 25, 1806; m. Elijah Gross; res. Ash.; 4 chn.; still living.
42. FRANKLIN, b. Jan. 31, 1809; res. W., but had no family; d. April 4, 1853.
43. CHARLES, b. Aug. 20, 1811; m. Emeline Munroe; res. W.
44. HARRISON, b. March 25, 1815; m. Levina Morse; res. Fg.; 7 dau.
45. LAURENDIA, b. Nov. 17, 1819; d. unm. July 4, 1836.
46. ISAAC N., b. April 27, 1826; d. Feb. 5, 1844.
47. HARRIET, b. May 25, 1829; m. Amos B. Holden; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.

[43.] SMITH, CHARLES, s. of the last, m. Emeline, dau. of Ebenezer and Mary (Sargent) Munroe, March 27, 1834, and res. on the road to So. Ash. He d. Oct. 20, 1848, having had 6 chn.:

48. MARY M., b. June 18, 1834; m. Harry W. Donner; res. Fg.; no chn.; living.
49. LORINDA L., b. March 4, 1836; m. Cyrus Blodgett, etc.; no chn.; living.

- 50. ELLEN M., b. Jan. 22, 1838; d. Sept. 26, 1838.
- 51. CHARLES H., b. June 30, 1840; m. Susie Manning; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; living.
- 52. GEORGE M., b. June 1, 1842; m. Fannie Lowe; res. West; no chn.; living.
- 53. ORANGE F., b. Aug. 26, 1844; m. Ellen Allen; res. Oneida, N. Y.; 1 chd.; 1.
- 54. AUSTIN F., b. July 2, 1847; m. Addie Smith; res. Hudson; no chn.; living.

55. SMITH, JONATHAN WARREN, was s. of Jacob and Keziah (Warren) Smith of Shrewsbury, where he was b. Feb. 26, 1748. He purchased lot No. 115, 2d Div., Oct. 10, 1769, building prob. the first house on it, and living there for a few years. It was the Nathan Wood place on Bragg Hill. He was a Rev. soldier, serving in the Co. of Capt. Gates, Ash. By his w., Catharine, he had as recorded here:

- 56. ALICE, b. March 14, 1775.
- 57. JOEL, b. March 21, 1777.
- 58. SOPHIA, b. Dec. 30, 1778.

59. SMITH, JONATHAN, ptge., etc., unkn., was b. ab. 1751, and came to W. from Fg. in 1777 or 8 with his w., Sarah, and several chn., and located on No. 116, 3d Div., in the valley of Phillip's Brook, north part of the town. Little has been learned of his family. He seems to have remained here through life, which terminated Sept. 7, 1821, at the age of 70. Death of w. not ascertained. Chn.:

- 60. ELISHA, b. April 16, 1770.
- 61. JOHN, b. July 26, 1772.
- 62. JONATHAN, b. Feb. 10, 1775.
- 63. AMOS, b. Oct. 10, 1777.
- 64. SIBEL, b. Feb. 20, 1780.
- 65. JONAS, b. June 14, 1782; res. W.
- 66. SALLY, b. March 9, 1785; m. Jonathan B. Billings; res. Lincoln.
- 67. JOSEPH, b. May 4, 1788.
- 68. HANNAH, b. March 17, 1791.

[65.] SMITH, JONAS, s. of the last, m. Eunice Hartwell of Fg., and succeeded to his f.'s est., which he sold March 11, 1822, to John G. Hadley. It is now (1887) occupied by Henry Cornu. Mr. Smith went to Ash. Date of his death unkn. Chn.:

- 69. JONAS, b. March 19, 1809; d. young.
- 70. BETSEY H., b. Sept. 1, 1810.
- 71. JOSEPH, b. Nov. 30, 1813; m. Abigail Cutter; res. Ash.; 5 chn.; d. Sept. 9, 1858.
- 72. SAMUEL D., b. Aug. 1, 1815; m. Mary Barrett; res. Ash.; 1 chd. reported; d. Dec. 29, 1879.
- 73. POLLY B., b. Nov. 21, 1817.
- 74. ANDREW J., b. Sept. 19, 1819; m. Maria Savage; res. Ash.; 7 chn.; d. Aug. 17, 1880.
- 75. EUNICE M., b. May 24, 1821.

76. SMITH, JOSEPH, birth-date, etc., unkn., s. of Jonathan of Dedham, purchased, March 24, 1779, the south part of lot No. 111, more recently the Edward W. Kendall place, on the old turnpike. He m. Sept. 17, 1777, Calla, dau. of Hezekiah Allen of D., High Sheriff of Norfolk Co. for many years and a prominent public man in that vicinity. He d. Sept. 6, 1808, a. 57. His w., Calla, m. (2) Josiah Wheeler of Gr., where she d. Chn.:

- 77. DRAPER, b. Dec. 20, 1777; m. Anna Leland; res. Dover; 2 chn.
- 78. DEBORAH, b. Sept. 5, 1779; m. John Dupee; res. W.; 11 chn.
- 79. CALLA, b. May 2, 1782; m. John Minott; res. Boston; 3 chn.
- 80. JOSEPH, b. Aug. 7, 1784; m. Sally Brown; res. Concord.
- 81. ALLEN, b. Jan. 22, 1787; m.; res. Milton, Me.; 5? chn.
- 82. PATTY, b. May 11, 1789; m. James Falis; res. Hub.; 2 chn.

83. JOEL, b. Sept. 20, 1791; m. and went West, but had no chn.

84. CALVIN, b. April 20, 1794; m. — Norcross; 5 chn.

85. POLLY, b. Oct. 7, 1796; m. David Reed; res. W.; 3 chn.

86. ASA, b. Nov. 16, 1799; m. twice; res. Gr.; 1 chd.

87. SMITH, THADDEUS, untraced, came from Sudbury ab. 1790, and bought No. 83, 2d Div., the late Elisha Tottingham place, in the N. W. part of Whitman River valley, and res. there ab. 10 yrs., when he rem. to Vt., where he was in 1817, when he appeared as a witness in the celebrated "Malden Case." He was pub. Dec. 9, 1791, to Hannah Falkner of Stow. Their chn., b. W. (prob. others afterward), were:

88. ANNIS, b. March 20, 1793

89. SALLY, b. Feb. 4, 1795.

90. THADDEUS, b. Sept. 23, 1796.

91. SMITH, HENDRICK, was an Indian of unkn. origin who lived for some years, ab. 1820, in a rude hut or shanty on the land of Maj. H. G. Buttrick, now S. L. Bolton place, in the S. E. part of the town. He was a basket maker, and obtained a scanty livelihood by selling the products of his handicraft from house to house through the town and vicinity. He was quite a favorite with the family of Mr. Buttrick, whose house he frequently visited and whose kindness often replenished his meager larder and wardrobe. Having been somewhat sharply reproved one day by Mrs. Buttrick for some offence or misdemeanor on his part, he left her in evident anger, and leaping over the wall bordering the woods where his shanty stood, with a shrill whoop, Indian fashion, disappeared from view and was never seen or heard of afterward.

92. SMITH, GEORGE, s. of Artemas and Sally (Estabrook) Smith of Chester, Vt., was b. Dec. 21, 1813. His mother was dau. of Joseph and Mary (Bemis) Estabrook of W. He came here in his early manhood, and purchasing the well-known Wiswall mill, near the road to Everettville, converted it into a shop for the manufacture of chairs, in which business he was afterward engaged. He m. June 8, 1843, Eunice, dau. of Samuel and Eunice (Mosman) Garfield, who d. Feb. 3, 1864, a. 49. He d. April 6, 1888, a. 74. Chn.:

93. ARTEMAS B., b. 1844; m. Margaret Graham; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

94. MARY ELLEN, b. Dec. 24, 1852; d. infancy.

95. ABBIE J., b. June 30, 1855; unm.; res. Milwaukee, Wis.

Artemas B. Smith (93) shared the advantages of the public schools of the town, fitted for college at Wesleyan Acad., Wilbraham, and grad. at Amherst 1868. He began the study of law with Hon. Wm. W. Rice of Worc., and completed the required course in the law department of Columbia Coll., N. Y. He was admitted to the bar in 1870 and has since been actively engaged in the practice of his profession in the various courts of N. Y. and of the U. S., with an office in N. Y. City. He is the head partner of the firm of "Smith, Bowman & Close," 38 Park Row. Attends strictly to professional work, studiously avoiding politics and other extraneous matters. Has res. in Brooklyn since 1874.

96. SMITH, AARON, from Epping, N. H., came to W. ab. 1840, and engaged for some years in the manufacture of boots and

shoes in what is now the principal fire engine-house at the Center. He subsequently rem. his business to N. Y. city, but res. in Brooklyn where he d. He m. in 1842 Sally A., dau. of Otis Titus, and had Benjamin Otis, who was b. Dec. 18, 1846, and d. young. His wid. is still living at B.

97. SMITH, REV. STEPHEN SANFORD, s. of Rev. Ethan and Bathsheba (Sanford) Smith, was b. at Haverhill, N. H., April 14, 1797. Having been educated for the Chn. ministry, and duly ordained to his chosen work, he was installed as Pastor of the First Church and Society in this town in the autumn of 1841. He was an earnest, enthusiastic laborer in the Master's vineyard, interested and active in both church and town affairs, doing with his might what he deemed needful for the social, moral, and religious welfare of the community. He served for 5 yrs. on the Sch. Com., was an ardent advocate of the various reforms of the period, and enjoyed a successful pastorate of about ten yrs. with the people of his charge. He was subsequently set. at Warren, and also engaged in Missionary work in Chicago during the latter part of his life. He d. at Worc., Oct. 28, 1871. He m. June 23, 1823, Lucretia Miller Bishop of Enfield, Conn., who d. Dec. 15, 1881, a. 77. Their chn. were:

- 98. EMILY BISHOP, b. in Poultney, Vt., and d. infancy.
- 99. MARIA L., b. Oct. 29, 1826; m. George E. Sickles; res. West; d. Oct. 29, 1865
- 100. DAVID S., b. July 28, 1828; d. W., Aug. 11, 1849. [res. Worc.; grad. A. C.
- 101. HENRY M., b. May 3, 1830; m. Harriet A. Hudson and E. P. Sanford; 3 chn.;
- 102. CORNELIA E., b. July 15, 1833; m. Samuel Faulkner; res. Chicago; sev. chn.
- 103. ELIZABETH H., b. Sept., 1835; d. infancy.
- 104. GEORGE B., b. July, 1837; a journalist; res. Chicago, unm.
- 105. HARRIET E., b. Dec., 1840; m. James H. Roberts; d. Feb., 1866.
- 106. FREDERICK W., b. June 2, 1845; m. Alice Van Etta.

107. SMITH, CHARLES H., s. of Lorenzo and Betsey (Derby) Smith of Ash., m. Myra A. Perkins of W., and has res. in town many years, having had chn. as follows:

- 108. EMMA ADALINE, b. Sept. 18, 1870.
- 109. CHARLES E., b. Aug. 19, 1873.
- 110. HARRY L., b. Nov. 15, 1878.

III. SMITH, ALBERT M., bro. of the last, m. Hannah B., dau. of I. Newell and Susan Smith of this tn., in 1875, and set. on the Luther Barrell place near Ash. line. Two chn. are recorded:

- 112. ETHEL A., b. Feb. 24, 1879.
- 113. HATTIE F., b. May 11, 1881.

Many other persons bearing the familiar name of Smith have appeared for a brief period in W. at different dates, but want of space forbids mention of them in these pages.

SPALDING.

Few names in English annals can boast a more ancient origin than this. It was used to designate a township or borough in Lincolnshire as early as the reign of Ethelbald, A. D. 716-757, and is found to have been employed as a patronym in Henry III.'s time, 1267. It has existed in Germany for a

long time, and some antiquaries suppose it was transplanted thence to England by the Anglo-Saxons or some of their contemporaries. Both there and on the continent it is still to be found.

The Spaldings of America, with few exceptions, are the descendants of three early immigrants, one of whom set. in Georgia, another in Maryland, and the third in Mass. The latter, whose Christian name was Edward¹, was here soon after the Mass. Colony was founded, becoming a permanent res. of Braintree, where his first w., Margaret, d. Aug., 1640, and where he was made "freeman" the same year, showing him to be of the true Puritan faith. About the year 1654 he rem. to Chelmsford as one of the early settlers, being elected Selectman at the first town meeting, Nov. 22, 1654, an office which he held for several years. Of his 7 chn., Andrew², the youngest, b. Nov. 19, 1652, m. Hannah Jefes of Billerica, and was made Deacon of the church. His s. Andrew³, b. March 25, 1678, m. Abigail Warren, and succeeded his father in the same ecclesiastical office. Jacob⁴, of the next generation, m. Susannah Pierce and had 11 chn., two of whom became res. of W. One of these, a dau., Susannah, m. Benjamin Butterfield, and lived here several years before rem. to Vt., as shown in the proper place.

The Spalding family has been a somewhat noted one in the history of this country. It had, up to the year 1872, no less than 13 representatives among the graduates of Harvard College, 12 of Yale, 20 of Dartmouth, and over 40 of other similar educational institutions. It has given a goodly number of men of distinguished ability and repute to the several professions, and has been represented on the floor of Congress and in military circles of high degree. One of the descendants of the Maryland branch, which was not of Puritan, but of Roman Catholic faith, was the Most Rev. Martin John Spalding, D. D., Archbishop of Baltimore.

I. SPALDING, JOSEPH⁵, s. of Jacob⁴ and Susannah (Pierce) Spalding, was b. May 1, 1737, in that part of Westford which had been set off 8 yrs. before from the old town of Chelmsford. He was in Nar. No. 2 as early as July 5, 1758, at which date the Propriety allowed "Twelve pounds Fifteen Shillings, Old Tenor," for his labor as a carpenter on the meetinghouse. On the 10th of Nov., 1759, he purchased of Wm. Brattle of Camb. lot No. 25, 2d Div., on Beech Hill, soon built a house, and made sundry other improvements thereon. A road to the Winship place was laid out for his convenience, March 2, 1761. He m. Bridget Crosby of Westford, being pub. to her Jan. 6, 1764. He d. by suicide in a fit of mental aberration, at an unkn. date. His w., Bridget, d. Jan. 15, 1831, a. 88. Their chn. were:

2. JESSE⁶, b. June 8, 1765; d. Aug. 14, 1796; unm.
3. MERARI⁶, b. March 16, 1767; m. Betsey Heald; res. W.
4. JOSEPH⁶, b. March 6, 1769; m. twice; res. Carritunk, Me.; 20 chn.; d. March 16, 1836.
5. ZEBINA⁶, b. Sept. 16, 1771; m. Fanny Spring; res. W.
6. BRIDGET⁶, b. June 23, 1774; m. Ephraim Heald; res. Goshen, Me.; d. Jan. 15, 1831.
7. MEHITABEL⁶, b. June 3, 1776; m. Asa W. Rand; res. W.; chn.; d. March 21, 1860.
8. JONAH⁶, b. Nov. 9, 1778; m. Betsey Hardy; res. Me.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 6, 1870.

[3.] SPALDING, MERARI⁶, s. of the last, m. (1) Betsey, dau. of Maj. Ephraim Heald of Temple., N. H., Nov. 26, 1789. He first set. on a part of his f.'s farm, building the so-called Divoll house, and living there some years. He sold to Ezekiel Flint

and left town, but ere long returned and located on lot No. 94, purchased of Lieut. Benj. Flint, where he res. ever afterward. He was a public-spirited citizen, active in public affairs, and shared the respect and confidence, as he did the honors, of his fellow-townsmen. He served in all the important offices of the town excepting that of Treasurer, and was Rep. to the Gen. Ct. in 1834. He did an extensive probate business in addition to farming, which was his chief occupation, and was often entrusted with the guardianship of orphan chn. In politics he was a staunch Whig, and in religion an earnest and devoted Universalist of the Restorationist school, and was for many yrs. Dea. of the church of that form of Chn. faith. His w., Betsey, d. May 21, 1845, a. 78, and he m. (2) June 11, 1846, Mrs. Lettice Newhall of Leom, who survived him. He d. Oct. 11, 1853, a. 83. Chn.:

9. MERARI¹, b. Jan. 19, 1791; m. Lucy Clark; res. Concord, Me.; 3 chn.; drowned July 13, 1834.
10. BETSEY¹, b. April 11, 1792; m. Israel Dickinson; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. May 23, 1873.
11. EPHRAIM¹, b. June 3, 1794; m. Mary Weston; res. No. Anson, Me.; 11 chn.; d. Nov. 25, 1851.
12. JESSE¹, b. Nov. 18, 1796; m. Polly Smith; res. W.
13. SARAH¹, b. Jan. 19, 1799; m. John Pierce and A. C. Everett; chn.
14. WALTER¹, b. Jan. 20, 1801; m. Lydia Spalding; res. No. Anson, Me.; 8 chn.; d. Dec. 8, 1857.
15. ROWENA¹, b. March 5, 1803; m. Asa C. Everett; res. Ashby; 2? chn.; d. Sept. 23, 1865.
16. ANSON¹, b. Feb. 11, 1805; d. July 13, 1806.
17. HANNAH¹, b. Jan. 4, 1807; m. Jacob Colburn; res. Leom.; chn.
18. ADELIA¹, b. Feb. 24, 1809; m. Alexander H. Brown; res. Leom.; d. July 27, 1842.
19. ANSON¹, b. Jan. 6, 1812; m. Harriet Rugg; res. W.

[4.] SPALDING, JOSEPH⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Sarah, dau. Zachariah and Abigail (Wood) Whitman, June 20, 1797, and lived in W., where 5 chn. were b., until Sept., 1803, when he rem. to Carritunk, Me., and spent there the remainder of his life. His w., Sarah, d. March 13, 1816, a. 40, and he m. (2) Olive Felch of Wilton, Me., Nov. 2, 1817. He d. March 16, 1836, a. 67. Each of Mr. Spalding's wives bore him 10 chn., making 20 in all, a larger family, it is thought, than any other son of W. could boast. Only the names of those native here are given.

20. JOSEPH¹, b. May 31, 1798; m. twice; res. Richmond, Me.; 13 chn.; d.
21. ZACHARIAH¹, b. Nov. 13, 1799; m. Asenath Wood; 8 chn.; a physician of Bingham, Me.
22. SARAH¹, b. Dec. 30, 1800; m. Thomas Houghton; res. Madison, Me.; d. Oct. 22, 1865.
23. JONATHAN¹, b. Jan. 23, 1802; m. Harriet Baker; res. "The Forks," Me.
24. ABIGAIL¹, b. June 28, 1803; d. unm. Dec. 18, 1826.

[5.] SPALDING, ZEBINA⁶, bro. of the last two, m. July 2, 1794, Fanny Spring, said to be "of W.," and perhaps dau. of Amos, a Rev. soldier. He lived awhile in the E. part of the town and run a distillery located on the turnpike below the present Wachusettville and Depot road, but finally set. on the farm of his father,

where he d. June 12, 1848, a. 76. He served the town for sev. years in the respective offices of Selectman, Assessor, and member of the Sch. Com. Fanny (Spring) Spalding d. Jan. 10, 1859, a. 85. Chn.:

25. BRIDGET⁷, b. Oct. 26, 1795; m. Ezra Hudson; res. Temp.; d. Feb. 12, 1847.
26. ZEBINA⁷, b. Aug. 10, 1799; d. Oct. 5, 1805.
27. FREDERICK W.⁷, b. Jan. 28, 1804; d. Oct. 25, 1805.
28. ASENATH⁷, b. Aug. 10, 1806; m. Levi Sherwin; res. Fg.; d. Jan. 12, 1862.
29. ZEEB P.⁷, b. May 17, 1809; m. Sarah S. Paine; res. Boston; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 28, 1859.
30. FANNY M.⁷, b. July 25, 1813; m. twice; res. W.; 5 chn.; d. Aug. 5, 1880.
31. A. PERSON⁷, b. July 9, 1817; m. Dolly Gates; res. W.

Jonah⁶ (8), the youngest son of Joseph⁵ and Bridget (Crosby) Spalding, studied medicine and commenced practice in Wilton, Me., in 1805. He rode far and wide among the upper settlements of the Kennebec River, which at that day were sparsely populated, and maintained an honorable standing in the community at large as a physician and as a citizen. He held important public offices, and was the author of two published works treating of subjects germane to his profession. He d. Nov. 6, 1870, at the age of almost 92.

[12.] SPALDING, JESSE⁷, s. of Merari⁶ and Betsey (Heald), m. Polly, dau. of Charles and Polly (Burgess) Smith, Dec. 13, 1822, and set. on his father's place, in a house built for his occupancy. He was a carpenter by trade, a Whig in politics, a Universal Restorationist in religion, and a reputable member of society. He was Selectman for some years, and in other ways served the public needs and the general welfare. He d. March 6, 1850, a. 53. His w., Polly, d. —. Chn.:

32. Unnamed⁸, b. Sept. 2, 1822; d. Sept. 3, 1822.
33. Unnamed⁸, b. June 12, 1823; d. same day.
34. CHARLES H.⁸, b. Dec. 31, 1826; m. Marietta Palmer; res. Shirley; d. July 19, 1866.
35. Unnamed⁸, b. June 10, 1828; d. same day.
36. MARY M.⁸, b. Feb. 19, 1830; m. Hulbert L. Harris; res. Leom.; chn.; dec'd.

[19.] SPALDING, ANSON⁷, youngest s. of Dea. Merari⁶, m. Harriet, dau. of Joseph and Mary Rugg, July 3, 1834. He was somewhat of a scholar, and devoted his winters for some yrs. to teaching, as a change from his ordinary occupation of farming. He was a member of the Sch. Com., 1835, 1836, 1840, 1841, 1857, 1858, and also Assessor during the last 2 yrs. He d. June 5, 1866, a. 54. His wid. is still living, having a home with her daus. in Leom. Their chn. were:

37. HARRIET M.⁸, b. April 5, 1835; m. Andrew B. Derby; res. Petaluma, Cal.; has 4 chn.
38. ELIZA⁸, b. June 17, 1838; m. Edwin Moore; res. Petaluma, Cal.; has 4 chn.
39. JULIA ANN⁸, b. Aug. 4, 1840; m. Charles J. Smith; res. Stockton, Cal.; has 5 chn.
40. HENRIETTA M.⁸, b. Feb. 9, 1843; m. Jonas W. Gates; res. Leom.; no chn.
41. FRANCILLIA⁸, b. Oct. 18, 1844; m. Harrison B. Whitney; res. Leom.; 4 chn.

Mrs. Henrietta M. Gates⁸ (40), of this family, is a woman of culture, refinement, moral worth, executive ability, pleasing address, etc.,—qualities generally recognized and gratefully appreciated in the community where she resides. She has been for some years a member of the Board of Trustees for the Public Library of Leom., also of the Sch. Com.,—in both of which positions she renders most efficient and acceptable service. She is, moreover, an active worker in the Unitarian chh. of the town, to the interests and faith of which she is intelligently, conscientiously, and earnestly devoted.

[31.] SPALDING, AMOS PERSON⁷, s. of Zebina⁶ and Fanny, m. Dolly, dau. of Simon and Sarah (Taylor) Gates of Gr., April 6, 1841. He set. on the Josiah Colburn place, where he lived till a few years since, when he sold out and left town. Chn.:

42. ASENATH F.⁸, b. Nov. 1, 1844.

43. FREDERICK P.⁸, b. Feb. 10, 1850; d. Oct. 9, 1852.

44. OTIS M.⁸, b. March 15, 1859.

Another s. of Zebina⁶, Zeeb Pitt⁷ (29), was f. of Wm. Pitt Spalding, who organized and managed for many years the well-known and popular "Spalding Bell Ringers."

I. SPRAGUE, SAMUEL H., s. of Samuel and Love (Hazen) Sprague, was b. Shirley, March 22, 1831. Coming to W. with his mother, who, after the death of her first husband, became the wife of Benjamin Wyman, he m. Ann M., dau. of Daniel and Mary (Curtis) Miles, Jan. 16, 1856, and set. upon the Robbins place, at the lower end of Wachusettville, where he still resides. He is a substantial farmer, enjoying the esteem and confidence of his fellow-citizens, who elected him Assessor for two years and have called him to other positions of public trust. Chn.:

2. LOVE M., b. Dec. 10, 1856.

3. NELSON S., b. Dec. 10, 1861; dec'd.

4. HATTIE S., b. 1866; m. Robert H. Greeley; res. Spokane, Wash.; d. 1893.

5. THEODOSIA M., b. Jan. 27, 1873. 6. LYDIA G., b. Feb. 13, 1878.

STEARNS.

A multitude of persons in N. E. and elsewhere bearing this familiar name trace their descent from two kinsmen, Isaac¹ and Charles¹, both of whom were among the early settlers in Watertown, and both of whom have been represented by families here. The first of these, Isaac¹, came from the old country with Gov. Winthrop in 1630, a fact which vouches for his staunch Puritanic principles and love of civil and religious liberty. Charles¹ arrived a few years later, and set. near his predecessor. They are sup. to have been b. in Nayland, Suffolkshire.

Isaac Stearns¹ had a s. Samuel², who married Hannah Manning and by her had a large family. Among the sons was John³, whose w. was Abigail Fiske of Watertown. Of this union came the first of the name in W., as did also Rev. David Stearns⁴, minister of Lunenburg, and Abigail⁴, w. of Benjamin Bellows, an early res. of Nar. No. 2, as heretofore stated.

I. STEARNS, JOHN⁴, s. of John³ and Abigail (Fiske), above-named, was b. Watertown, Nov. 18, 1702. He m. Anne Coolidge of the same place, Feb. 15, 1725, and lived there some years, where at least 4 of his chn. were b. June 5, 1741, he purchased lot No. 41, now occupied by the wid. and daus. of Nathan Howard, on which he very soon located. (See A. H. No. 40.) He sold his farm Dec. 20, 1775, to Benjamin Howard, and, as no further record of him is found, it is presumed that himself and wife went to live with some one of their children elsewhere. They had:

2. MOSES⁵, b. May 29, 1728; m. Ruth Houghton; res. W.

3. JERUSA⁵, b. Nov. 5, 1730; m. Darius Houghton of Lunenburg.

4. ANNA⁵, bap. March 3, 1736; prob. d. young.

5. ABIGAIL⁵, bap. Oct. 13, 1739; m. Roger Wellington, Lexington.

6. HEPZIBAH⁵, bap. Nov. 12, 1741; m. Benjamin Stratton, Waltham.
7. AARON⁵, b. Feb. 2, 1746; m. Esther Glazier; res. W., etc.
8. ELIAS⁵, b. Sept. 30, 1753; m. Sarah Keyes; res. Haverhill, N. H.; 9 chn.; d. 1845.

[2.] STEARNS, MOSES⁵, s. of the last, m., June 13, 1754, Ruth Houghton, prob. of Lanc. He seems to have lived on lot 68, the Williams place, near No. 7 Sch. Ho., which he sold to James Walker in 1760, removing not long after to Walpole, N. H., where he d. Sept. 29, 1808, a. 80. Ruth, his wid., d. Feb. 27, 1815, a. 82. Chn.:

9. EPHRAIM⁶, b. April 6, 1755; m. Molly Gilman; res. Walpole, N. H.
10. ESTHER⁶, b. April 11, 1757; m. James Eastman; res. Newfane, Vt.
11. REUBEN⁶, b. Sept. 1, 1759; unm.; res. Walpole, N. H.; d. 1791.
12. RELIEF⁶, b. March 8, 1762; m. Simon Farrer; res. Herkimer, N. Y.
13. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Sept. 4, 1764; m. John Adams; res. Walpole, N. H.
14. LOIS⁶, b. Aug. 4, 1766; m. James Knapp; res. unkn.
15. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Oct. 11, 1768; m. Esther Simonds; res. N. H.; 10 chn.; an M. D.
16. LUCY⁶, b. Jan. 14, 1771; d., prob. unm., Nov. 29, 1796.
17. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Feb. 27, 1775; m. Isaac Gibson; res. Grafton, Vt.

[7.] STEARNS, AARON⁵, bro. of the preceding, was pub. to Esther Glazier of Lancaster, Feb. 4, 1766. They lived in town some years (locality unknown), but rem. to Walpole, N. H., ab. 1772, and thence soon after to Langdon, N. H., where both he and his w. are supposed to have d. Chn.:

18. JESSE⁶, b. Aug. 3, 1766; m. Betsey Gibson; res. Walpole; 10 chn.
19. LEVI⁶, b. Dec. 29, 1767; m. twice; res. Walpole; 11 chn.
20. LYDIA⁶, b. Feb. 21, 1770; m. Jonathan Martin; res. Bradford, Vt.; no chn.
21. ZENAS⁶, b. June 3, 1772; m. Betsey Heath; res. Newbury, Vt.; 9 chn.
22. ESTHER⁶, b. June 24, 1775; res. Walpole; nothing further.
23. JOHN⁶, b. July 16, 1777; m. and res. N. Y. State; 9 chn.
24. AARON⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1780; } prob. d. young.
25. RHODA⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1780; } twins; } m. and went to Kingston, Canada.

26. STEARNS, THOMAS⁴, another s. of John³ and Abigail, was b. Watertown, Oct. 8, 1711. He came to Nar. No. 2, as is understood, in 1740, the 5th permanent settler in the place, and established himself on lot No. 42, the late Job Seaver farm, where he res. through life. He became one of the most active, influential, and honored citizens of the township, holding important public offices, and being elected Dea. of the church upon the death of Dea. Joseph Holden in 1768. He m. Aug. 9, 1744, Hannah Clarke of Newton, but had no chn. He d. April 2, 1785, a. 73. By will he gave his wid. £10 and the use, while she lived, of one-third of his real and personal estate, which was considerable for those days. He bequeathed £13 6s. "to the Church of Christ in W., on condition that Rev. Mr. Rice have the interest upon the same while he continued the minister." The remainder was to go finally to his bros. and srs. who were living, and the heirs of those dec'd,—the bulk of his lands being assigned to his nephews, Phineas of Watertown, and James of Lunenburg, who were his executors. His wid., who evidently deemed them faithless to their trust, commenced suit against them for property in their possession in 1788, but with

what result does not appear. She became finally a public charge, giving up what little property she had to the town in 1794, and receiving support thereafter from the public treasury. She d. Aug. 11, 1799.

27. STEARNS, JOSIAH⁵, s. of Josiah⁴ of Watertown, who was bro. of John⁴ and Thomas⁴ above named, and Hannah (Ball) Stearns, was b. July 11, 1730, and m. in 1765, Abigail Emerson of Plum Island, opposite Newburyport. He bought lot No. 91, lying S. E. of the Jackson, recently Lyman Allen, farm, Nov. 4, 1756, and subsequently became a permanent resident thereon. (See A. H. No. 36.) Later in life he was partially insane and had a guardian appointed. In 1773, on petition of his w. and the Selectmen, who certified to his recovery, the guardian was rem. Some yrs. after, he went to Wilmington, Vt., where he was afflicted with his old malady, and d. Jan. 31, 1802, a. 71. His wid., Abigail, d. in W., Sept., 1803. Chn.:

28. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Feb. 6, 1766; m. James Miller; res. Wilmington, Vt.; 7 chn.

29. SUSANNAH⁶, b. Feb. 18, 1768; unm.; insane after 15 yrs. of age.

30. ELIZABETH⁶, b. Aug. 1, 1770; m. John Whitney, etc.; 6 chn.; d. 1838.

31. JOSIAH⁶, b. May 25, 1773; m. Lucy Allen, Pn.; res. Wilmington; 9 chn.

32. DANIEL⁶, b. May 18, 1776; m. Elizabeth Heywood; res. W., etc.

[32.] STEARNS, DANIEL⁶, son of the last, m. Aug. 7, 1800, Elizabeth, dau. of Timothy and Patience (Stebbins) Heywood. He res. here some 4 or 5 yrs., when he followed other members of his family to Wilmington, Vt. Ab. the year 1814 he rem. to Brattleboro', thence, in 1818, to Gerry, Chatauqua Co., N. Y., and finally to Freeport, Ill., where himself and w. d. some 30 yrs. since. The common affliction of the family, insanity, characterized the last years of his life. Three chn. were b. here:

33. LOUISA⁷, b. Nov. 14, 1800.

34. PHINEAS⁷, b. Aug. 1, 1802; d. Sept., 1803.

35. MARY⁷, b. May 25, 1804; d. Aug., 1806.

After leaving W. they had Phineas⁷, Daniel M.⁷, Isaac N.⁷, Horatio N.⁷, and Mary⁷, b. Wilmington, Vt.; Charles⁷ and Elizabeth⁷, b. Brattleboro'; and Alvalina⁷, Elmira⁷, and William⁷, b. Gerry, N. Y. Two of these studied divinity and became ministers of the Methodist denomination.

36. STEARNS, STEPHEN B.⁷, s. of Samuel⁶ and Polly (Bennett) Stearns, was b. in Fg., Nov. 2, 1805. He was a descendant of the immigrant Charles¹ mentioned in the first paragraph relating to the family, by the following line,—Shubael² of Lynn, Samuel³, also of Lynn, Timothy⁴ of Wilmington and Leominster, Samuel⁵ of Leominster, Samuel⁶ of Fitchburg. He was a painter by trade and worked in town a few years, when he rem. to Concord, N. H., where he d. June 25, 1835, at the age of 29. He m. in 1833 (pub. Jan. 19), Mary, dau. of Asa and Lucena (Puffer) Merriam, who bore him one s. and d. Aug. 19, 1851, a. 45. The s. was:

37. CHARLES HUDSON⁸, b. June 12, 1833; m. twice and res. Worc.; 1 chd.; living.

1. STEDMAN, ISAAC, ptge., etc., not ascertained, though prob. a descendant of Isaac of Scituate, who went to Boston 1650 and d. 1678, was in Nar. No. 2 as early as 1743, when he signed a petition to the Gen. Ct. for an Act of Incorporation. On the 21st June, 1742, he bought of John Park, O. P., lot No. 35, now occupied by Mrs. Larrabee, on the road to Everettville, and located upon it. He came from Newton, where he had m. Huldah, dau. of Dea. Wm. and Sarah (Wood) Trowbridge, who bore him a large number of chn., few of whom lived to mature years. Mr. Stedman d. June 12, 1757, and his wid. m. (2) Dec. 26, 1769, Francis Wheeler of Concord, the last known of her. The chn. of Mr. and Mrs. Stedman were:

2. JONATHAN, b. July 30, 1738; m. Tabitha Hart; res. W.
3. ISAAC, b. May 10, 1740; d. infancy.
4. WILLIAM, b. Feb. 15, 1742; d. unm. July 7, 1764.
5. JOSHUA, b. Nov. 20, 1743; d. unm. Jan. 28, 1764.
6. NATHANIEL, b. April 18, 1746; living 1764, but prob. d. soon after.
7. CALEB, b. Feb. 5, 1749; d. Dec. 15, 1756.
8. JAMES, b. Sept. 17, 1751; d. Sept. 28, 1751.
9. JAMES, b. Nov. 20, 1752; prob. m. Sarah — and soon d. (See below.)
10. ISAAC, b. 1754; d. June 2, 1757.
11. SARAH, b. Jan. 30, 1756; d. Sept. 17, 1756.

[2.] STEDMAN, JONATHAN, s. of the last, m. Tabitha Hart of Lunenburg in 1761, and seems to have shared with his mother the occupancy of his father's estate, both prob. living in the same house. After his d., which occurred July 11, 1764, his interest was sold to Nathaniel Tottingham and his mother disposed of her share to Elisha Tottingham, bro. of Nathaniel. The wid. of Mr. Stedman m. (2) John Rand. The chn. of Jonathan and Tabitha were:

12. SARAH, b. June 31, 1762; m. David Wyman; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.
13. JONATHAN, b. Sept. 15, 1764; pub. Sybel Ray, but prob. d. before m.

[4.] STEDMAN, WILLIAM, bro. of Jonathan, bought July 17, 1762, lot No. 86 in the So. part of the town, and perhaps built a house upon it, the cellar of which may still be seen. (See A. H. No. 99). He never m. and d. ab. two years later, July 7, 1764. His property was divided between bros. James and Nathaniel and mother Huldah. Prob. Nathaniel d., leaving James in possession of the real estate, a part of which he sold to Thomas Merriam, Dec. 27, 1773. Ten years later Sarah Stedman sold the remainder to the same party, James, no doubt, having meanwhile d. Who this Sarah was cannot be definitely determined, being very likely wid. of James, though no record has been found of his m., but perhaps dau. of Jonathan, who was not yet m. to David Wyman. With the last transaction mentioned the name disappears from the W. annals.

I. STEVENS, EPHRAIM, lineage, etc., not ascertained. According to Report of Legislative Com. made July, 1751, he was

in possession of lot No. 101, now the homestead of Wm. H. Benjamin in the E. part of the town. Where he was from, how long he remained here, and whither he went cannot be stated. It is presumed, however, that he was s. of Ebenezer of Watertown, who drew the lot originally upon the right of Ephraim Cutter of the same place, a Nar. soldier. In 1760 the estate was sold to Joseph Bailey, who conveyed it the following year to Timothy Hoar of Concord, and his s. Timothy subsequently lived upon it.

2. STEVENS, HENRY, presumed to be bro. of the preceding and s. of Ebenezer of Watertown, was located in 1751 on lot No. 112 at the head of the Narrows, then owned by David Dunster, having 12 acres of cleared land and running the mill built on the premises by Wm. Brattle. Seven years later he purchased the farm and three-fourths of the mill, the other fourth being the property of Abner Holden. He d. not long afterward and his wid., whose name was Abigail —, m. (2) Elijah Gibbs, the administrator of the estate. Chn.:

3. ABIGAIL, b. Jan. 28, 1755; m. John Bemis; res. Vt.

4. HENRY, b. Feb. 22, 1757; nothing further learned.

1. STOCKWELL, GEORGE HENRY, s. of George and Sabra, was b. at Royalston, Oct. 11, 1845. He m. Abigail E. Bouche of Ravenna, O., Sept. 16, 1868, and after living a few years in Winch., where his first chd. was b., came to W., his present place of residence. Chn.:

2. GEORGE A., b. June 3, 1870.

3. WILLIAM H., b. Jan. 1, 1872.

4. ADDIE A., b. Dec. 21, 1875; d. April 19, 1886.

5. EVA G., b. April 4, 1878; d. Feb. 12, 1883.

6. CHESTER G., b. Oct. 22, 1881; d. March 29, 1883.

7. LEON L., b. Oct. 14, 1883.

8. EARL C., b. April 19, 1886.

9. GRACE L., b. Feb. 12, 1889.

10. ROY W.

1. STONE, ABRAHAM, untraced, was a res. here for some years, being first taxed 1768. He was musically inclined, being chosen a "Modulator of the tunes" in the meetinghouse by his fellow-citizens. He was pub. to Mary Osgood of Lanc., Feb. 4, 1772, but nothing more is known of them, except that they had one son:

2. ABRAM, b. July 2, 1774.

3. STONE, JESSE, untraced, came into town from Marlboro', N. H., ab. 1816, when he bought of Reuben Bond the fulling mill near the outlet of the town meadows (C. S. Merriam reservoir), and land, house, and cooper-shop connected therewith, and carried on business there some four years, then disposed of the property to Elias Evans and left for parts unknown. The name of his w. was Lucy. They had 3 chn., perhaps more after leaving here.

4. SAMUEL, b. Township No. 4, May 28, 1813.

5. SHERMAN, b. Marlboro', Sept. 23, 1815.

6. CYRUS, b. W., Aug. 3, 1817.

STRONG.

Samuel Strong¹ was b. in Eng. ab. 1605, and sailed for this country in the *Mary and John*, 1630, becoming the progenitor of a numerous posterity, some members of which have attained distinction in political, judicial, and ecclesiastical circles, and enjoyed a well-earned reputation. He was somewhat of a wandering star, locating first at Dorchester, and going thence successively to Hingham, Taunton, Windsor, Conn., and finally to Northampton, where his migrations came to an end. A s. Samuel², who res. at N., was f. of Nehemiah³, a set. in Amherst. Among the chn. of the latter was Simeon⁴, who distinguished himself both in the law and in the gospel, gaining eminence and fame as a preacher and jurist, and receiving for his superior ability and learning the honorary title of LL. D.

I. STRONG, SOLOMON⁵, s. of Judge Simeon⁴, was b. at Amherst, March 2, 1780. Inheriting something of his father's characteristics, he fitted for and graduated at Amherst College, choosing the law for a profession. Going through the requisite course of study, he commenced practice at Athol soon after attaining his majority. He came from that town to W., prob. in 1805, purchasing Oct. 15 of that year the place now owned by F. A. Merriam in the central village, the then recent homestead of Dr. Asa Miles, deceased. He was the first man in town educated to the legal profession, though others before him had acted as counsel and magistrate to a limited extent. He proved to be a very useful and influential citizen, securing the regard and confidence of the people at large, who not only lent him their patronage, but crowned him with many public honors. He served continuously on the Board of Sch. Com. while he res. here, was Selectman several years, and frequently presided at town meetings. He was elected Senator for Worc. Co. in the years 1812 and 1813, and was chosen to represent his district in the lower house of Congress in 1815. Not long after this he rem. to Leom., where his remaining life was spent. He was appointed Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1818, a position held by him 25 years. His d. occurred in 1850. He m. Nov. 20, 1803, Sally, dau. of Joseph and Persis (Miles) Sweetser of Athol, and had, while in W., one dau.:

2. ADELIA, b. Feb. 28, 1812; m. Wm. M. Rogers, minister of Townsend, and afterwards of the Central Church, Boston.

TAFT.

The first appearance of this family on the soil of N. E., so far as is known, was ab. 1678, when Robert Taft¹, who sometimes spelled his name Taffe, owned a house at Monotoquid (Braintree). The following year he purchased lands on the easterly borders of Nipmuc pond, Mendon, upon which he and his w., Sarah, soon located. They were among the first settlers of the town after its destruction during King Philip's war, July, 1675. He had five sons, all of whom set. on his own lands near at hand. Robert², however, after some years rem. to that part of the town afterwards set off to form Uxbridge, where he was active in public affairs and a leader in whatever pertained to the general prosperity and welfare. He had 11 chn., one of whom, Gideon³, was f. of an early settler in this town.

1. TAFT, ASA⁴, s. of Gideon³, was b. in 1746 and m. Molly —, prob. in 1768. On the 23d of Nov. that year he bought lot No. 34, 2d Div., now owned, in part at least, and represented by Fred Graham. The house, built prob. by Asa Norcross, of whom he made the purchase, was located in the open field some ten or twelve rods S. E. of the present one, on the opposite side of the Gr. road. He d. Dec. 10, 1802, a. 56, leaving a large family, as follows:

2. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Aug. 21, 1769; m. Laban Gates; res. Gilsun, N. H.; sev. chn.
3. NATHAN⁵, b. June 23, 1771; m. Betsey Bolton and set. Nelson, N. H.; 5 chn.
4. MARVIN⁵, b. May 22, 1773; pub. Polly Taylor, 1798.
5. MOLLY⁵, b. July 21, 1775; m. Chester Noah, Wilmington, Vt.
6. RHODA⁵, b. March 11, 1778; in town many years.
7. TIMOTHY⁵, b. July 28, 1780; moved Utica, N. Y.; 2 chn.
8. CHLOE⁵, b. April 18, 1783; nothing known.
9. LEVI⁵, b. Jan. 19, 1786; res. W., etc.; unm.
10. SALLY⁵, b. March 26, 1791; a tailoress; res. Wendell.

1. TARBELL, ZACHARIAH⁵, s. of Eleazer⁴ and Elizabeth (Brown) Tarbell of Groton, m. Mary, dau. of Moses and Mary (Bellows) Gould of Lunenburg, March 27, 1752, and set. in Nar. No. 2, but at what point has not been learned. He was a descendant of Thomas¹ of Watertown, 1656, through Thomas² and Thomas³, and the f. of 7 chn.:

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| 2. MOLLY ⁶ , b. May 1, 1753; d. infancy. | 3. ZACHARIAH ⁶ , b. Nov. 9, 1754. |
| 4. ELIZABETH ⁶ , b. Dec. 5, 1755. | 5. MOLLY ⁶ , b. March 19, 1758? |
| 6. SYBIL ⁶ , b. March 9, 1759. | 7. SARAH ⁶ , b. Sept. 20, 1760. |
| 8. BETHIA ⁶ , bap. Sept. 30, 1764. | |

TAYLOR. Several families of this name were in these parts at an early period, two at least some years before the District of W. was incorporated, but the lineage of none of them has been traced, and it is not known that they were in any way related to each other. The registry here given begins with the first on the territory.

1. TAYLOR, JAMES, is sup. to have been the s. of Thomas of Sudbury, inasmuch as he occupied and improved lot No. 98 in the easterly part of the town, which was drawn by the latter in the first division of lands. The site of the house may be discerned in an open pasture lying N. E. of the late Thomas Merriam residence. (See A. H. No. 43.) Though an inhabitant here for forty years, no definite record of his family has been found. He became poor in his advanced years, and the town assumed the responsibility of caring for him and his family, he giving up what property he had, mostly real estate, in consideration thereof. He d. March 23, 1792, a. 72, leaving a wid., Sarah, who d. Jan. 19, 1810, a. 90. Chn., so far as known:

2. RUTH, b. 1755; d. March 7, 1826, a. 71.
3. REBECCA, b. 1772; d. March 15, 1855, a. 82.
4. SARAH; d. in 1791.
5. JOSEPH, b. after 1775.

6. TAYLOR, EBENEZER, was in the township 1751, located on lot No. 49, the Morse place near No. Common, where he had

cleared 4 acres of land and built a house. He is thought to have been s. of Wm. of Marlboro', b. in 1702; William of Marlboro' being the sup. s. of Wm. of Concord. He m. Jan. 1, 1723, Mary Banister of M., who bore him 6 chn. and d. Aug., 1736. The following year he m. Beulah —, and had 3 more by her. He was here nearly 20 years, returning then to Shy., whence he came. Of his 9 chn., two sons res. here, as noted below, one dau., Sarah, m. Jonathan Keyes of Boylston, and one, Beulah, m. Elisha Jackson of Gardner.

7. TAYLOR, FORTUNATUS, s. of Ebenezer and Mary, was b. in Shy., Feb. 18, 1729. He bought the lot occupied by his f., April 2, 1753, but remained in possession only 3 years, selling to his brother Asa, who permanently located upon it. It does not appear that he had a family here.

8. TAYLOR, ASA, bro. of the preceding, was b. Nov. 12, 1733. He came to this town at the time he purchased the farm, and in 1768 m. Sarah Williams, perhaps sr. of Isaac, named elsewhere. He d. 1803, a. 70. She d. Dec. 18, 1822. Their chn. were:

9. JOHN W., b. Dec. 9, 1769; m. Hannah Ball; set. Wilmington, Vt.; living 1809.
10. LUCRETIA, b. Oct. 12, 1771; m. Gideon Alexander, New Ipswich, N. H., 1791.
11. CHARLES, b. Aug. 29, 1773; unm.; lived on father's place; d. Feb. 18, 1826.
12. MARY, b. Feb. 18, 1776; m. — Nash; res. Leyden; sev. chn.
13. EBENEZER, b. March 5, 1778; d. Nov. 8, 1801.
14. ASA, b. March 11, 1781; m. Alma Otis; res. Lenox, N. Y.

15. TAYLOR, SAMUEL, ptge., etc., unknown, was b. Reading, 1757. He went from his native place to Hillsborough, N. H., whence ab. 1780 he came to W. and m. Prudence, dau. Jonas and Mary Winship, pub. Nov. 20, 1781. He purchased a small farm in Whitman River valley, on which he subsequently lived. (See A. H. No. 23.) He d. Jan. 12, 1802, a. 45, and his wid., Prudence, d. Jan. 23, 1813, a. 58. Chn.:

16. SAMUEL, b. Jan. 3, 1783; unm.; killed in felling a tree, Dec. 25, 1810.
17. PRUDENCE, b. March 3, 1786; m. James Bruce; res. W.; 9 chn.
18. ABIGAIL, b. Dec. 17, 1789; m. Nathaniel Cutter; res. Ash., etc.; 4 chn.; d. Aug. 22, 1862.
19. AARON, b. March 24, 1793; m. Lois Train; res. W.

[19.] TAYLOR, AARON, m. Lois, dau. Elisha and Lois Train, April 17, 1814. He lived in small house, perhaps built by him, near the river, below the Cowee (I. N. Smith) place. He d. Sept. 2, 1834, a. 41. His wid., Lois, d. Feb. 5, 1840, a. 45. Chn.:

20. BETSEY, b. Dec. 2, 1814; m. Jonathan M. Jackson.
21. SUSAN, b. July 16, 1819; d. May 6, 1849.
22. ABIGAIL P., b. Feb. 7, 1822; no record found.
23. SAMUEL A., b. March 23, 1827; m. Julia A. Davis; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; d. July 6, 1869.

24. TAYLOR, SAMUEL, said to have been from Stow, was warned out of town in 1791. He is sup. to have been a s. of Samuel, his name having in the records the suffix Jr. attached to it. He prob. m. Elizabeth, dau. of Zaccheus and Elizabeth

(Lyon) Bemis, to whom he was published Feb. 13, 1794. It is presumed that it was his w. and chd. who d. in 1803, and that he finally settled in Fg.

25. TAYLOR, JOSEPH, from Stow, sup. bro. of the last, came to town ab. 1787, and purchased the Dr. Harvey mill on the Whitman River, a mile above the R. R. station, with house and lands connected therewith. Little has been learned of him or his family, though he res. here many years. Himself, w. Lydia, and 4 chn. were warned out of town in 1791. It was prob. his w. who d. 1805, but whose name and age are not recorded.

26. TAYLOR, JOSEPH, s. of the last, was pub. to Polly Manning (?) of Winchendon, July 11, 1794. He prob. lived with, and perhaps succeeded, his father at the mill place above-named, though it appears to have been owned by his bro. Wm. in 1810. What became of the family is not known. Only 3 chn. recorded:

27. LYCINDA, b. Feb. 28, 1795.

28. POLLY, b. June 25, 1796.

29. ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 25, 1798.

24. TAYLOR, EZRA, ptge., etc., unascertained, but said to have been from Southboro', was in town as early as 1794. Aug. 29, 1797, he was m. to Rachel Tottingham, and in Jan. of the following year, 1798, bought of Josiah Brown the so-called Red Mill site with land adjoining, on which there was prob. a small house, located on the corner of Bacon and Eliot sts. He gave a bond to David Wyman not to start a "fulling mill" on the premises. He, however, built a gristmill, in which he carried on quite a business for many years. He did not prosper financially, and the property was sold to Arna Bacon, Aug. 14, 1816. He went to Utica, N. Y., and thence to N. Y. City, where he d. March, 1824. Chn.:

25. CHARLES, b. April 18, 1798; m. Betsey Knapp; res. N. Y. City; no chn.; d. March 17, 1862.

26. STEPHEN, b. Sept. 6, 1800; a prominent citizen of Gr.; d. unm.

27. EZRA, b. Feb. 13, 1803; m. and res. Manchester, N. H.; d. Jan. 25, 1871.

28. ADOLPHUS; m. Lucretia Knapp and had 3 chn.; dec'd.

29. HARRIET; m. Geo. McLaughlin; res. Jersey City; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 30, 1870.

30. MARY; m. Charles F. Waldbury; res. Gr.; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 6, 1867.

31. SUSAN; lived in W. and d. unm.

TEMPLE.

This name has long been known in the old country, and has given to the English Calendar some of its most illustrious characters, among which earls, knights, noble lords and ladies, shine conspicuous. Sir Richard Grenville, the younger Wm. Pitt, and Lord Palmerston once Premier of the realm, were of the number. The first of the family in N. E. was Robert Temple¹, who set, in Saco, Me., and was slain by the Indians at the time of the destruction of the town in 1676. His s. Richard² established himself at Reading, where Thomas³ was b. in 1710. The latter m. Sarah Parker and went to Framingham, whence his descendants scattered far and wide throughout the land.

I. TEMPLE, JONATHAN⁴, s. of Thomas³ and Sarah, was b. at Fram., Feb. 17, 1752. He m., ab. 1777, Rebecca How, and after

res. for a brief season at different places, came to W. in 1784, and purchased lot No. 85, afterwards the Asa Merriam place, in the So. part of the town, upon which he located and spent his remaining earthly days. A spring on the premises still perpetuates his name in the neighborhood. He d. March 4, 1796, and his wid. m. (2) Stephen Calef, whom she took to her home as well as to her heart. The date of her d. has not been found. The chn., with a single exception, set. in neighboring towns, as the table appended shows. They were:

2. REBECCA⁵, b. June 4, 1778; m. Ezra Brooks; res. W.; 8 chn.
3. ELIZABETH⁵, b. Feb. 22, 1780; m. Calvin Bush, etc.; res. Bolton; sev. chn.
4. JONATHAN⁵, b. March 30, 1782; m. Sally Haynes; res. Hub.
5. JOEL⁵, b. April 22, 1784; m. Hannah Hager; res. Rutland.
6. THOMAS⁵, b. April 30, 1787; m. Nancy Greenwood, etc.; res. Hub.; 6 chn.; d. Aug. 1, 1857.
7. PHEBE⁵, b. April 5, 1789; no record found.
8. ASA⁵, b. April 18, 1792; no record found.

I. THURSTON, MOSES, s. of Moses and Hannah (Sewall) Thurston of Hollis, N. H., was b. July 9, 1746, and came to W. about the time of attaining his majority. He is sup. to have been a descendant of Daniel Thurston, who left the old world for N. E. as early as 1638, and set. at Newbury. April 21, 1768, he m. Esther, dau. Eliezer and Mary (Fiske) Bigelow. Some years later he bought lands on Ash. road, upon which he built for a permanent home the house now owned by John Lynde. He was an enterprising, public-spirited, and trustworthy citizen, and in a few years rose to prominence and distinction in the community. He was a hatter by trade and carried on a prosperous business in that line of manufacture. He held the office of Selectman and other positions of responsibility, was Deacon of the church, and a devoted, conscientious Christian. He passed to the higher life June 29, 1809, a. 62. His wid. followed him thither Oct. 24, 1831, a. 88. Their chn. were:

2. LYDIA, b. April 4, 1769; m. Enoch Carlton; res. Camb., Vt.; 4 chn.
3. GILMAN, b. Feb. 15, 1771; m. Azubah Gillett; res. W.
4. SARAH, b. June 10, 1773; m. John P. Wiswall.
5. MARY, b. June 9, 1775; m. David Chadwick; res. Camb., Vt.
6. HANNAH, b. June 3, 1777; m. Peter Chadwick; res. Camb., Vt.
7. MOSES, b. June 18, 1780; m. Hannah Bolton; res. W., etc.
8. ESTHER, b. Aug. 17, 1782; m. Francis Wetherbee and Rufus Thornton; many chn.
9. LUCY, b. Oct. 12, 1784; m. Luther Wetherbee; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.
10. NANCY, b. Jan. 18, 1787; d. March 1, 1796.
11. CATHARINE, b. Dec. 6, 1789; m. James Tottingham; no chn.

[3.] THURSTON, GILMAN, s. of the last, m. Feb. 6, 1798, Azubah Gillett of Lanc. On the 7th of March, 1807, he purchased the Jarvis Pierce estate at the W. end of the village, where he ever after resided. He followed his father's occupation, his hat manufactory being well remembered by the writer and others of his generation. He had a large family, mostly daus., somewhat noted for their personal charms and many ac-

complishments. Mr. Thurston d. June 18, 1858, a. 87. His w., Azubah, d. March 10, 1849. Chn.:

12. MIRIAM W., b. Nov. 24, 1798; d. Aug. 8, 1800.
13. MARY A. W., b. March 2, 1801; d. Dec. 19, 1869, unm.; res. W.
14. NANCY M., b. May 4, 1803; m. Orange Green; res. Ga.; 1 chd.
15. CHARLES GILMAN, b. April 19, 1805; no record found.
16. AZUBAH, b. Jan. 23, 1807; d. unm. Oct. 24, 1850.
17. JULIANN, b. April 22, 1809; m. Nathan Rolph; sev. chn.
18. FANNY G., b. April 15, 1811; m. John S. Hunt.
19. MARIETTA, b. April 1, 1813; m. John W. Severance.
20. JOHN G., b. May 21, 1815; d. May 28, 1815. [4, 1853-
21. ADAH M., b. Oct. 18, 1817; m. Joseph Wood; res. Fg.; sev. chn.; d. April

[7.] THURSTON, MOSES, bro. of the last, m. Hannah, dau. Capt. Aaron and Dorcas (Winship) Bolton, Dec. 12, 1806. He settled first in this town, building perhaps and occupying the house at the corner, three-fourths mile No. of village, where James B. Kelty now lives, selling it to Samuel Clark April 1, 1812. They moved to Cambridge, Vt.; date of d. unkn. Chn.:

22. FIDELIA, b. Nov. 10, 1807; m. Henry W. Sabine; 7 chn.
23. NANCY B., b. Sept. 28, 1809; m. Otis Bennett; 3 chn.
24. MOSES, b. Oct. 21, 1811; m. Eliza C. Flagg; res. Holden; 5 chn.
25. MATILDA B., b. Oct. 19, 1813; m. Earl Smiles?; res. Camb., Vt.; 1 chd.
26. JAMES TOTTINGHAM, b. Camb., Vt.
27. JAMES CHADWICK, b. Camb., Vt.

TITUS.

Robert Titus¹ came from Stanstead Abbey, Hertfordshire, Eng., in 1635, and set. first in Weymouth, but not long after rem. to Rehoboth, then called by its Indian name, Seconet. His s., John², born in 1627, accompanied his father and prob. succeeded him in the occupancy of his estate. John² had Samuel³, b. 1661, the f. of John⁴, b. 1703, whose s. Simeon⁵ m. Hannah F. Allen, and res. in Attleboro', as prob. some of his ancestors did before him.

1. TITUS, OTIS⁶, s. of Simeon⁵, was b. in Attleboro', May 15, 1779. When a young man he came to Pn. (Everettville) to learn the art of tanning of Joshua and William Everett, whose mother was aunt to him. Having served his apprenticeship he worked awhile in Fg., then rem. to this town, and, Nov. 27, 1813, purchased lands of Timothy Doty, upon which he erected the dwelling house now occupied by his dau., Mrs. Augustine Whitney, and her husband, and also suitable buildings for carrying on business, which he at once started and continued until far advanced in life. He acquired a handsome competency, was a reputable citizen, and lived to great age. He m. Oct. 15, 1812, Sally, dau. of Jonathan Minott, a woman of character, executive ability, and of great usefulness in many ways. His death occurred Oct. 9, 1873, at the age of 94. His wid. d. June 15, 1883, a. 93. Their chn. were:

2. OTIS WALCOTT⁷, b. April 1, 1814; went to Ohio, where he d. by drowning; unm.
3. SALLY ANN⁷, b. Feb. 17, 1817; m. Aaron Smith; 1 chd.; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.
4. CRAWFORD A.⁷, b. May 7, 1820; m. Isabella Mann; no chn.; d. many yrs. since.
5. ALBERT⁷, b. May 15, 1826; d. Aug. 7, 1828.
6. MARY A.⁷, b. Dec. 4, 1828; m. Augustine Whitney; 2 chn.; living W.
7. FRANCES C.⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1830; d. Aug. 26, 1854.

TODD, JOHN, ptge., etc., unknown. He came to W. ab. 1849, and opened a law office at the stand vacated not long before by Giles H. Whitney, Esq., but remained only a few years. In 1853 he accepted the appointment of Postmaster of Fg., under Pres. Pierce, and rem. thither. At the expiration of 6 years he left his position and went to the city of New York, where he resumed the practice of his profession and continued in it till his decease in 1887. He was the last resident lawyer of the town.

TOTTINGHAM.

Henry Tottingham¹, or Tottman, as this patronym was formerly spelled, was living in Charlestown in 1640. He soon went to Woburn, and there res. permanently. His s. Elish², as the records have it, was father of Elisha³ and gd.f. of Elisha⁴, who m. Sarah Lawrence and made possible the W. family distinguished by that name.

1. TOTTINGHAM, NATHANIEL⁵, s. of Elisha⁴ and Sarah, was b. June 10, 1740. He came to W. as early as June, 1768, when he purchased of Jonathan Stedman's heirs lot No. 35, on which the wid. of Wm. H. Larrabee now res. He m. Aug. 16, 1770, Easter (Esther), dau. of Daniel and Anna (Bright) Brown of Lexington, whom he brought here to share his home and his fortunes. He d. Dec. 12, 1793, a. 53, and she d. 10 yrs. later, Jan. 6, 1803, a. 59. Chn.:

2. NATHANIEL⁶, b. May 31, 1771; m. Polly Tottingham; res. W.; no chn.; d. Dec. 4, 1850.
3. ELISHA⁶, b. March 11, 1773; m. Clarissa P. Brown; res. W.
4. SARAH⁶, b. Jan. 9, 1775; m. John Maynard; res. Rutland, Vt.
5. ANNA⁶, b. Dec. 17, 1776; d. Sept., 1778.
6. ASA⁶, b. Dec. 27, 1778; d. 1801.
7. HANNAH⁶, b. Jan. 10, 1781; m. Peter Gale; res. Barre, Vt.
8. JOSEPH⁶, b. Sept. 14, 1783; m. Nancy Wood; res. Pittsford, Vt.
9. JAMES⁶, b. Dec. 29, 1785; m. Catharine Thurston; no chn.; res. unkn.

[3.] TOTTINGHAM, ELISHA⁶, s. of the above, m. Clarissa P. Brown of Lunenburg, and settled on the Heman Lincoln place, No. 83, 2d Div., in the north part of the tn., where his youngest dau. lately res. He d. July 9, 1852, a. 79. His wid. d. March 8, 1861, a. 72. Chn.:

10. BROWN E.⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1815; d. unm. March 24, 1862.
11. GEORGE W.⁷, b. Nov. 12, 1816; m. Susan Wellington; res. Ash.; 5 chn.; d. April 26, 1887.
12. NATHANIEL⁷, b. March 10, 1818; m. Harriet R. Page; res. Ash.; 1 chd.; d. May 26, 1874.
13. CATHARINE⁷, b. Dec. 24, 1820; d. unm. Oct. 8, 1879.
14. CAROLINE E.⁷, b. March 27, 1829; living unm.

15. TOTTINGHAM, WALDO⁸, s. of George W.⁷ (11), and gd.s. of Elisha⁶ (3), was b. Ash., July 15, 1847. He m. May 5, 1874, Ianthia, dau. of Joel and Rebecca Crouch of Harvard, and res. in W. No chn. reported.

TOWNSEND, JONATHAN, prob. s. of Benjamin and Sarah of Lanc., was b. Feb. 8, 1738-9. He bought May 4, 1761, lot No. 88, 3d Div.—the Eli Sawyer place—on B. P. Hill. (See A. H. No. 8.) He seems to have made the first improvements there, building a house and res. in it for several yrs. He m. at Lanc., March 24, 1765, Huldah Newton of W., but no issue has been found. May 5, 1768, he sold to Nathaniel Sawyer of Reading, and afterwards res. at Templeton.

TRAIN, ELISHA, from Greenwich, was here in the latter part of the last century, residing upon the old Samuel Whitney place, B. P. Hill, and elsewhere in the north part of the town. His career is not easily determined. His w.'s name was Lois, and he had at least 3 chn.: 2 sons, Elisha and Elijah who taught school in town, 1813, and was taxed here a few years; and 1 dau., Lois, or Louisa, who m. Aaron Taylor. Mrs. Lois Train d. in 1813.

TUCKER, JEDEDIAH, of unknown descent, b. ab. 1712, came from Shy. to W. as early as 1765, and located on lot No. 111, in the east part of the town, more recently the Edward W. Kendall place, then owned by David Bemis. He was a blacksmith, and very likely the first resident on the premises. After a few years he returned to Shy., where he was living in 1790.

TUTTLE, HENRY, antecedents not ascertained, was a saddle and harness maker here in 1813, when he advertised in the *Mass. Spy* for journeymen. He also advertised the same year, Nov. 17, "chaises, wagons, sleighs, etc., for sale." He was not, however, a citizen of the town many years.

1. TWICHELL, REUBEN W., of whose ptge., early history, etc., nothing has been reported, was b. ab. the year 1812. A carpenter by trade, and a musician of varied gifts, he came to W. ab. the year 1840 for the purpose of taking the leadership of the "Military Band," then recently formed in the place, a position for which he was well fitted both by native talent and practical culture and experience. His efficiency in this particular vocation gained for him, after a few years, a wide reputation, and opened for him elsewhere a more important and lucrative field of activity than could be offered him here. He served as Regimental Band-Master during the War, acquitting himself with credit and honor. Since then he has resided in Chicago and vicinity, where 3 of his chn. are living. The name of his first w. is unknown, as are the dates of their marriage and of her decease. After coming to W. he m. (2) Nancy, dau. of Samuel and Polly (Wood) Puffer, Oct. 23, 1844. She d. June 17, 1879, a. 61. Chn.:

2. JENNIE; m. Charles Kempton; res. Chicago.
3. REUBEN; m. and res. Lancaster, Wis.
4. JOHN; was killed in the war.
5. JAMES Ole, b. Dec. 8, 1845; a piano manufacturer in Chicago.
6. ELLA, b. 1854; a teacher of music in Chicago.

Jennie Twichell (2) came to W. with her f. when ab. 6 yrs. of age, and received her rudimentary education in the public schools of the town. While yet a child she manifested unusual musical talent, and gave promise of those high attainments in the art of song which she has since displayed, and which have secured for her an enviable reputation throughout the land and in the old world. After studying with some of the best instructors in this country, she spent ab. 2 yrs. in Florence, Italy, fitting herself for her chosen work in life. She has taken leading parts in Italian and other operas under some of the most accomplished managers, and sung in many of the great oratorios of the old masters, both at home and abroad, with acknowledged success. To a wonderfully rich and well-trained voice, she added remarkable power of expression, which made her renderings most impressive and inspiring. She has now retired, for the most part, from public life, but is still engaged in teaching the higher grades of both vocal and instrumental music in Chicago, where she resides. She m. Mr. Charles Kempton, a merchant of Chicago, and has 1 dau.

UPHAM.

This is one of the oldest names in English history. It is found in "Domesday Book," a register of all the lands of the kingdom made in 1086 by order of William the Conqueror, where it is employed to designate a township some 60 miles S. W. of London, the birthplace of the poet Young. It appears as a family cognomen as early as 1208, when Hugo De Upham conveyed certain estates to the church of St. Maria de Bradenstock. A few years later several persons bearing it are mentioned in the annals of the time. Whether or not John Upham¹, the first of the name in New England, has a pedigree running back to those ancient periods has not been determined. His own record, however, is well preserved. He was one of a considerable party of colonists, who, under the leadership of Rev. Joseph Hull of Somersetshire, a rector in the established church, sailed in a body from Weymouth, March 20, 1635, and set., upon their arrival here, in the township of the same name founded by Thomas Weston a dozen or more years before. Later in life Mr. Upham rem. to Malden. He was a prominent man in both places, holding the office of Deacon in the church and being a member of the Colonial government. He m. before coming here, Mehitable Webb, and had 6 chn., part of whom were prob. b. in the mother country. He d. in 1681 at the age of 84, as given on his tombstone, which fixes his b. ab. 1597.

The first of John¹ and Mehitable (Webb) Upham's chn. b. on Am. soil, was Phineas², distinguished in his day both for his personal qualities and his services in various ways to the general public. He was active in the first settlement of the town of Worcester, and held the office of Lieut. in the army sent out under Gen. Winslow against King Philip in Dec., 1675. He was present at the swamp fight, receiving a wound in the taking of the fort, of which he d. the following year. His w. was Ruth Wood, by whom he had a s. John³, b. 1666, who m. Abigail, dau. of Samuel Hayward. Their s. Samuel⁴, b. 1691, m. Mary Grover and had by her Jonathan⁵, b. 1724, who m. Martha Tucker and settled first in Charlton, but later on in Sturbridge, all the others having lived in Malden. Jonathan⁵ and Martha had 12 chn., the fifth of whom was Jonathan⁶, b. Feb. 27, 1759. He was a Rev. soldier and a reputable citizen. He m. a distant relative, Sally Upham, dau. of Ezekiel, Aug. 23, 1782. After his decease she res. with her s. in this town, where she d. Nov. 25, 1850, a. 89.

1. UPHAM, ALVIN⁷, s. of the last named, was b. Sturbridge, Aug. 2, 1799. Having learned the trade of saddle and harness

making, he came to W. ab. 1826 for the purpose of carrying on that business here. April 4, 1829, he purchased of J. and J. Minott the house now owned by Charles Forbush, directly west of the store of Geo. W. Bruce, with shop attached, and there res. for many years. He subsequently lived in the house now occupied by Marshall White. He was pub. to Sally, dau. of Ezra and Ruth (Puffer) Derby, May 19, 1827, whom he in due time m. His health failing, he removed ab. 1850 to Niles, Mich., in the hope of regaining it there, but d. Sept. 1, 1852, a. 53. His wid. went to live with her dau. at Racine, Wis., where she d. Sept. 21, 1878, a. 78. Chn.:

2. CALVIN H.⁸, b. Feb. 18, 1828; m. Amanda E. Gibbs; res. Ripon, Wis.; 3 chn. (See p. 420.)
3. SARAH M.⁸, b. Oct. 20, 1829; m. Porter P. Heywood; res. Chicago; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 30, 1892.
4. NATHAN D.⁸, b. May 18, 1832; m. Sarah Wills; res. Wis.; 2 chn.; d. April 7, 1865.
5. ANGENETTE⁸, b. April 5, 1834; m. Joseph L. Pevey; res. Denver, Col.; 1 chd.
6. ELLEN P.⁸, b. Feb. 5, 1836; m. H. C. Russell; res. Chicago; 2 chn.; d. April 16, 1864.
7. CHARLES M.⁸, b. Sept. 21, 1837; m. Julia Parsons; res. Shawano, Wis.; 2 chn.
8. ERASTUS R.⁸, b. Nov. 3, 1839; d. Sept. 29, 1847.
9. WILLIAM H.⁸, b. May 3, 1841; m. Mary Kelley; res. Marshfield, Wis. (See p. 420.)
10. MARY E.⁸, b. April 29, 1843; m. H. C. Russell; res. Denver, Col.; 4 chn.

II. UPHAM, JOSHUA N., a native of Templeton, was for some years, ab. 1848 and afterward, a res. upon the Metcalf place, Minott neighborhood, near the town line. (See A. H. No. 73.) In addition to the management of his farm, he was engaged awhile in peddling tin-ware in the region of country round about, being associated in that business with his bro., Daniel W. Upham. At a later date he, with others, carried on the manufacture of the same kind of goods in what is now the engine house, at the center. He left town many years ago, and is understood to have dec'd not long afterward. By his wife, Nancy, he had while here only 1 chd. on record:

12. SARAH JANE, b. Sept. 16, 1854.

UPTON.

This family, like the one just noticed, is of very ancient origin, dating back to the time of the Conquest in 1066, when surnames were just beginning to come into use. No pedigree, however, connecting the Am. branch with the earliest known stock, has been found. The first representative in this country was John¹, who was b. ab. 1628 and m. Elinor Stuart ab. 1655, and who soon after migrated hither, settling in that part of Salem now Danvers in 1658. He had a s. William², b. June 10, 1663, who, by his w., Mary, was father of William³, the husband of Lydia Burnap of Reading. A s. of these, also named William⁴, m. Hannah Starkey and settled in Temple, N. H., in 1770, but moved thence to Fitchburg in 1786. Their son John⁵, a man of military tastes and habits, known as Capt. John, m. Abigail Lowe of Fitch. and had Joseph⁶, who m. Susan Thurston, of whom came, with other chn., Edwin⁷, the Col. of the 25th Reg. M. V. in the war of the Rebellion, an efficient and highly esteemed officer, and a worthy and honored citizen of Fg.

1. UPTON, CHARLES⁷, another s. of Joseph⁶ and Susan, b. Nov. 4, 1821, m. Sarah Amelia, dau. of Elijah and Mary (Jones) Hager, Dec. 16, 1845. They res. in Fg. a few years, but rem. to W. in Dec., 1850, and have since made this their home. He is a mason by trade, and a worthy and honored townsman, having been a member of the Board of Selectmen in 1859 and 1860. He has been a successful teacher of vocal music, and was for many years the efficient leader of the choir connected with the Universalist church. The chn. of Charles and Sarah are:

2. GEORGE C.⁸, b. Fg., Dec. 22, 1847; m. Abbie S. Brown; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; 1.
3. CHARLES H.⁸, b. W., May 11, 1850; unm. and res. Minnesota; d. Jan. 19, 1892.
4. LILLIAN⁸, b. W., Nov. 19, 1852; d. Oct. 14, 1853.

1. URBAN, G. FRANK, a native of Germany, m. Nov. 16, 1879, Emma Elmina, dau. of Joel and Elmina (Perkins) Merriam, and has since lived in town. He is an intelligent mechanic, and served on the Sch. Com. in 1891. He is at present employed by the Mass. Gypsy Moth Commission in the E. part of Middlesex Co., but retains his res. here. Chn.:

2. GERTRUDE A., b. Oct. 1, 1885.
3. GRACE E., b. Aug. 22, 1887.

1. VINER, JOHN, parentage unknown, was b. in Buckingham, Somersetshire, Eng., ab. 1750. He came to this country as a soldier in the British army soon after the opening of the Rev. War, and served under Burgoyne at Saratoga, being one of the several thousand prisoners surrendered by that commander, Oct. 17, 1777. He was prob. sent with others to Rutland and placed under guard in anticipation of parole or an early exchange. He preferred to remain as a resident of the place and as an Am. citizen rather than go back to the employ of King Geo. III. He m., ab. 1786, Sarah —, and after res. in R. a few years, rem. to Holden, thence to Pn., and finally to this town ab. 1804, where he d. Sept. 4, 1826. He was a clothier by trade, and worked for David Wyman at that calling. March 25, 1812, his son George, then a res. of Sutton, bought an acre of land of Elijah Fairbanks, then owner of the Garfield, now Hurd, farm, where a small house was erected in which the father afterward lived. After Mr. Viner's d. it was conveyed to Ira and Nehemiah Hoar, and was long known as the residence of their bro. Leonard. The family left town, and no trace has since been found of them. The chn. were:

2. GEORGE, b. Rutland, Nov. 20, 1787; res. Sutton, Lanesboro', etc.
3. CHARLOTTE, b. Rd., Feb. 6, 1790.
4. SUSANNAH, b. Rd., July 25, 1792.
5. JOHN, b. Rd., Aug. 22, 1794.
6. JAMES, b. Holden, Nov. 23, 1800.
7. ISAAC, b. Pn., Jan. 12, 1803.
8. WILLIAM, b. W., July 5, 1806.
9. JOSEPH, b. W., July 15, 1809.
10. BETSEY, b. W., Oct. 16, 1812.

WALKER.

The families of this name which appeared in Nar. No. 2 at an early period of its history were the descendants of entirely different immigrant ancestors,

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and are not known to have been in any way related to each other. Ten years after the settlement of Boston, one Richard Walker¹ came from beyond the sea and settled at Lynn. He was a man of considerable note in his day, active in public affairs, holding important positions in both political and military circles. He was a Capt. of the local Colonial soldiery, a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co., and for some years a representative to the Gen. Ct. Among several chn. b. in Eng., Samuel², who was 15 years of age at the time of immigration in 1640, set. first in Reading, but rem. to Woburn before 1662. He had a s., Joseph³, who m. Sarah Wyman and had 10 chn., the youngest of whom demands brief mention in these pages.

1. WALKER, SETH⁴, s. of the last, was b. Oct. 12, 1691. He m. Elinor, dau. Wm. and Elinor (Phelps) Chandler of Andover, April 4, 1716, and became after a few years a res. of Groton. In 1740 he came to this place and entered into a contract with the Props. to build a gristmill at the outlet of Meetinghouse Pond, as elsewhere stated, the lot on which the privilege was located, No. 22, coming into his possession shortly afterward. The next year, 1741, finds him a res. of the township, its first *miller*, active in his own calling and in public concerns. On the 10th of May, 1748, he sold his estate to Andrew Darby of Acton and rem. hence to Charlestown, N. H., of which township he was one of the original grantees. He remained there through life, a much esteemed and honored citizen, prominent and influential in both the town and church. He had a large family, but as none of his chn. were b. here, or had more than a temporary residence in tn. during their minority, their names are not given. It may, however, be said that some of their descendants have attained praiseworthy distinction in both private and public life. Among such, well known in this vicinity, are Hon. Stephen Salisbury of Worc., and Hon. William H. Haile of Springfield, the recent Lieut. Gov. of Mass. Mr. Walker d. at Charlestown, N. H., July 7, 1772, a. 80. His w. d. Nov. 6, 1769, a. 74.

Another immigrant bearing the name of Walker was Thomas¹ of Boston, who d. July 2, 1659. He and his w. Anna were prob., says the author of "The Walker Family," the parents of Thomas², who m. Mary — and had Daniel³, a citizen of Sudbury at the beginning of the 18th century. The name of his w. was Dorothy.

2. WALKER, DANIEL⁴, s. of the last named couple, was b. Sudbury, Oct. 27, 1710. He came to Nar. No. 2, ab. the time his namesake just referred to did, purchasing the lot on which he finally settled, where his gt.-gd.son, Isaac Seaver, recently lived, May 17, 1742. There he cleared land and built a dwelling house, to which he brought his bride, Hannah, sr. of Nathan Wood, whom he m. March 5, 1746-7. He was a substantial and honored citizen, having been elected a member of the Stand. Com. of the township two years before his d., that event occurring Aug. 4, 1757. His w. d. 11 mos. earlier, Sept. 6, 1756. Only imperfect data of his family are found in the records. - Chn., so far as learned:

3. RUTH⁵, b. Sept. 2, 1750; m. Jeremiah Gager; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Oct. 3, 1805.
4. DANIEL⁵; d. unkn. in the spring of 1795.
5. JONAS⁵, b. June 6, 1755; d. Aug. 30, 1756.

6. WALKER, JAMES⁵, s. of James⁴ and Jemima (Stanhope) Walker of Sudbury, was b. Jan. 19, 1721. His f. was cousin of Daniel⁴, above named, having been the s. of William³, s. of Thomas², the gd.f. of Daniel⁴. He m. Nov. 17, 1746, Abigail, the sr. of Daniel's w., and had at least 8 chn., 5 of whom d. in early childhood. He came with his family to Nar. No. 2 ab. 1750, and located on lot No. 24, the Hager farm, now represented by A. King, where in the summer of 1751, he had "a good field cleared," and "house almost done." A year afterward he exchanged places with Wm. Edgell, and removed to his new purchase, the original Dea. Wood estate. Disposing of that two years later, he settled permanently on lot No. 68, near the No. 7 schoolhouse,—the so-called Williams place.

Mr. Walker was a highly esteemed citizen of the town, and a very earnest and devout member of the church, of which he was an honored Dea. for many years. His w., the mother of his chn., seems to have d. before 1792, inasmuch as, on the 14th July of that year, he m. (2) Wid. Abigail Wild of Pn. She soon passed away, and he m. Dec. 24, 1795, (3) Mrs. Lucy Walker, place of res. not learned. He d. in 1812, a. 91. His wid. d. in 1826, a. 84. Chn.:

7. LUCY⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1747; m. Joseph Miller; res. W.; 9 chn.; d. May 1, 1836.
8. PAUL⁶, b. May 17, 1750; m. Rebecca Haines; res. W.
9. HANNAH⁶, b. July 15, 1752; m. Isaac Williams; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. June 8, 1849.
10. ABEL⁶, b. Oct. 19, 1755; d. July 6, 1757.
11. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Sept. 20, 1757; d. June 12, 1764.
12. ABEL⁶, b. May 3, 1760; d. July 11, 1764.
13. LYDIA⁶, b. July 23, 1762; d. March 2, 1767.
14. JAMES⁶, b. Oct. 31, 1765; d. Feb. 28, 1767.

[8.] WALKER, PAUL⁶, s. of Deacon Walker, was pub. to Rebecca Haines, Aug. 6, 1771. She d. at an unknown date, and he was pub. (2) to Hannah Rice, April 23, 1813. He seems to have lived awhile on a part of his f.'s farm, but his later home was in the Robbins house, Wachusettville, his death occurring there Aug. 14, 1821. Of the chn. of Paul and Rebecca Walker little is known, save of Abigail and James. The former m. (1) Jonas Fessenden and (2) John C. Miller, and had by the two 6 chn. James m. Wid. Elizabeth (Stearns) Whitney (pub. May 21), 1803, but d. the following year, a. 26, leaving no issue. In his will he mentions his f. and mother by name, and also his bros. and sisters. From that instrument, chiefly, the following table is framed:

15. ABEL⁷, b. prob. 1774; mentioned by James as an older brother.
16. ABIGAIL⁷, b. July 4, 1776; m., etc., as above stated; d. Feb. 9, 1822.
17. JAMES⁷, b. 1778; m., etc., as above stated; d. 1804.
18. JOHN⁷, b. unkn. date; mentioned by James as a younger brother.
19. REBECCA⁷, b. unkn. date; mentioned by James as a younger sister.

1. WALTON, JACOB, from Reading, ptge., etc., untraced, was in town as early as 1770, having bought of John Brooks, on the 9th of June, the N. E. corner of lot No. 4, lying east of the road to Ash. (the Luke Bigelow place), upon which he built a house and made himself a home. He appears to have been a joiner or cabinetmaker by trade, and was chosen Surveyor of Boards, 1773. He was published to Elizabeth Jenkins, Aug. 18, 1771, and d. in 1776. No record of his family has been found, but it has been inferred that he had:

2. ELIZABETH, b at unkn. date; m. John Raymond; res. W., etc.

WARD.

William Ward¹, said to have been a native of York or Derby, Eng., was b. ab. 1600, and came to this country when some 30 years of age. In 1636, he, with others, petitioned for a new town, and he thereby became one of the early proprietors and settlers of what was incorporated as Sudbury Sept. 4, 1639. He subsequently helped to found what is the present city of Marlboro'. He had a s. Richard² who seems to have remained in Sud., where he was drowned in 1666. Richard² was the father of Obadiah³, whose s. Richard⁴, by his w. Lydia, had, as is supposed, Jonas⁵, who went from Sud. to Worc. and thence to Shrewsbury, where he ended his days. He m. Abigail Child of Worcester, and through her became the progenitor of a large number of descendants. He was a near kinsman of Gen. Artemus Ward, who was next in command to Washington at the opening of the Rev.

1. WARD, JOHN⁶, s. of Jonas⁵ and Abigail (Child), was b. Shy., June 21, 1746. Soon after reaching mature years, he came to W., and Jan. 20, 1770, bought lot No. 38, 2d Div., in the north part of the town, of the heirs of Michael Brigden of Charlestown, and there he res. through life. The estate, with one or two others adjoining, was set. off to Ash. in 1826, to which municipality it is still attached. It was recently owned and occupied by John G. Woodward, whose w. was gd.dau. of the first settler. Mr. Ward m. (1) in 1774, Mindwell Harrington, by whom he had 5 chn. She d. Sept. 18, 1782, and he m. (2) Oct. 4, 1784, Copia, dau. of Silas Rice of Northboro', who bore him 3 chn. He d. Sept. 24, 1813, a. 67. His w., Copia, d. March 25, 1844, a. 96. Issue:

2. SARAH⁷, b. June 19, 1775; m. Wm. Baldwin; res. unkn.

3. POLLY⁷, b. Oct. 12, 1777; } twins; { m. John Woodward; res. W.

4. BETTY⁷, b. Oct. 12, 1777; } twins; { m. John Crawford, Orange, N. Y.

5. JOHN⁷, b. May 14, 1780; m. Dolly Townsend; res. W., etc.

6. JONAS⁷, b. July 19, 1782; m. Anna Child; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. June 17, 1823.

7. LUCY⁷, b. Dec. 8, 1785; d. same day.

8. COPIA⁷, b. May 24, 1789; m. John Mosman; res. W.; 5 chn.

9. SILAS⁷, b. July 22, 1791; m. Diadama Mosman; res. W.

[5.] WARD, JOHN⁷, s. of the last, m. Dolly Townsend of Fg., 1811, and resided on the homestead of his f. Under his administration the estate was set from W. to Ash., to the history of which town the reader is referred for more particulars

than are here given. Mr. Ward d. April 27, 1843, a. 62. His wid., Dolly, d. July 5, 1857, a. 73. They had but 1 chd.:

10. MARY⁸, b. May 21, 1812; m. John G. Woodward; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; living.

[6.] WARD, JONAS⁷, bro. of the last, m. Anna (Nancy), dau. of David and Lydia (Stearns) Child, June 1, 1815, and res. on the Child place in Whitman River valley, now owned by Hugh Carey. He d. June 17, 1823, a. 40. His wid. went to Vt., and m. (2) America Amsden, Windsor, Vt., by whom she had 2 sons,—men of character, social and political standing, and eminent usefulness. Her centennial was celebrated with appropriate exercises, July 20, 1890, a full account of which, including a sketch of her life, was given in the local papers. She has since d. The chn. of Jonas and Anna (Child) Ward were:

11. NANCY⁸, b. June 6, 1816; d. unm. at date unkn.

12. MARY⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1818; m. Dean Cabot; res. Woodstock, Vt.; had chn.

13. JOHN⁸, b. Feb. 4, 1821; is living at Detroit, Mich.

John Ward⁸ (13) fitted for college at Meriden, N. H., Academy, entered Dartmouth and grad. in 1847. He studied law and was admitted to the bar, 1849. He practiced at Springfield, Vt., where he gained distinction in his profession, serving in the honorable office of State Attorney. He removed to Detroit, Mich., in 1859, and has res. there since.

[9.] WARD, SILAS⁷, bro. of the last, m. Diadama, dau. of Matthias and Sarah (Haines) Mosman, April 22, 1815. He l. on the Gray (now Runnels) place awhile, the house of which he built, but finally rem. to Ash., where he d. March 29, 1881, a. 89. His w. d. Nov. 7, 1879, a. 92. Chn.:

14. SUSAN F.⁸, b. Oct. 13, 1817; d. Nov. 21, 1848, unm.

15. HORACE⁸, b. Aug. 24, 1824; d. Nov. 5, 1849, unm.

16. SARAH F.⁸, b. Dec. 4, 1831; m. John M. Pratt; 1 chd.; is living Ash.

1. WARNER, EMORY, s. of Samuel and Catharine of Bolton, was b. April 4, 1820. He came to town when ab. 21, and April 29, 1845, m. Emily, dau. of Jonathan and Abigail (Conant) Brown of Gr. His home was in Wachusettville, where he d. Aug. 5, 1859, a. 39. His wid. m. (2) Wm. O. Eager. Chn.:

2. HENRY F., b. March 7, 1851; m. Mary F. Perkins; res. Bradford; 6 chn.

3. CHARLES E., b. March 21, 1856; res. Fg.; 3 chn.

4. WARNER, CLINTON, M. D., s. of John and Abbie (Ackley) Warner, was b. at Newfane, N. Y., June 17, 1826. He studied medicine and came to W. in 1854, soon after the death of Dr. Lincoln, and established himself in the practice of his profession. For many years he was the only physician in town, his manifest skill in the treatment of disease, his kindness of heart, and gentlemanly manners gaining for him the regard and confidence of the public, and an extensive patronage. He m. May 23, 1858, Sarah, dau. of Joshua and Hepzibah (Hale) Cummings, of whom special mention is made on p. 594. He d. suddenly, July 5, 1870, a. 44, having had the following chn.:

5. CHESTER G., b. June 30, 1859; d. July 7, 1867.
6. MARY A., b. March 22, 1861; noted below.
7. ADALAIDE S., b. Sept. 12, 1863; noted below.
8. CLINTON H., b. Dec. 19, 1866; d. Aug. 10, 1867.
9. ELEANOR C., b. Oct. 16, 1868; d. July 20, 1869.

Mary A. Warner (6) grad. at the Mt. Holyoke Seminary, regular course in 1883, advanced course 1886, and has since been a successful French and German teacher in Clinton, N. Y. She has recently returned from a year's study on the continent of Europe.

Adalaide S. Warner (7) is also a grad. of Mt. Holyoke Seminary, of the class of 1886, regular course, and like her sister has attained meritorious success as teacher in the higher grade of schools in different localities.

10. WARNER, LEVI, s. of Benjamin and Susan, was b. Kent, Conn., ab. 1810. He studied for the Chn. ministry, and his more active life was spent in preaching at different points in Conn., Vt., and Mass., under the auspices of the M. E. church. He came to W. in 1868, and located upon the Ezra Wood place, near the R. R. Station, where his last days were spent. He was the "Westminster Depot" P. M. for 6 years before his death, which occurred as the result of an accident at Fg., June 26, 1891. He had sev. chn., but none of them were b. here.

Melville H. Warner, one of the sons of Levi (10), lived for some years in town with his f., and has been acting P. M. since the latter's decease.

Olin L. Warner, bro. of the last, b. in 1844, has been an occasional res. here during the past 20 yrs. A taste and talent for sculpture were developed in him at an early age, and to that department of art his active life has been devoted. He studied for 3 yrs. at the celebrated "Ecole des Beaux Arts" at Paris, and elsewhere in the French capital, producing work which won for him there an honorable reputation. Returning to this country, he entered upon a professional career which places him in the first rank of American sculptors. The statue of Wm. Lloyd Garrison on Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, and that of Hon. Joseph A. Buckingham, the war Gov. of Conn., at Hartford—a work of superior merit—are the products of his skill. He has executed numerous busts of distinguished personages living and dead,—among them one of Mozart for a public park in Buffalo, said to be a superb representation of the old master of song,—and was employed to make the large medallions of Michael Angelo, Titian, Rubens, Raphael, and Rembrandt for the Art Building of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago. The N. Y. State building there is ornamented by four statues of his construction. He also designed the elaborate historic-symbolical medals to be worn by the officials of the Exposition, and the souvenir coin made in honor of the occasion from the appropriation of Congress. He resides at Harlem, and has a studio in N. Y. City.

WARREN.

No less than five distinct Warren families have had a local habitation and a name in town at different periods of its history. No relationship whatever has been found to exist between them, and only one of them has been traced to its immigrant ancestor. That one will for this reason first receive attention, although several of the others were located here at an earlier date.

John Warren¹ was one of the early members of the Mass. Colony, coming to this country in 1630, perhaps in Gov. Winthrop's company, and set. in Watertown, where he was made "freeman" in the following year and subsequently chosen Selectman. He was the father of Daniel², one of whose sons was active in military affairs and attained the distinction of being called Ensign John³. Dea. John⁴ was s. of the Ensign and father of Elisha⁵, who had Isaac⁶, also distinguished by the title of Dea. He m. Elizabeth Warren and lived in Charlestown, as did several of his ancestors.

1. WARREN, ISAAC¹, s. of Dea. Isaac⁶ and Elizabeth, was b. Aug. 9, 1787. He prepared for and entered Harvard College,

graduating in 1805. He studied medicine and came here as a physician ab. the year 1810. He purchased the Rev. Mr. Marsh place on the Common, of Dr. Marshall, and prob. succeeded, in part at least, to his practice. He was pub. to Mary, dau. of Ebenezer and Polly (Monroe) Parker of Pn., and wid. of Rufus Dodd, Oct. 26, 1811. He was here, however, but a few years, as his health failed him, obliging him to give up his practice and return to Charlestown, where he soon after departed this life. The homestead was sold June 1, 1815, to Rev. Cyrus Mann. Dr. Warren is understood to have had one son while here, but no record or information from other sources has been obtained concerning him. The family was one of character and popularity in the community.

2. WARREN, JACOB, the first of the name in town, was s. of Jacob and Submit Warren of Littleton. On the 12th of June, 1749, he purchased lot No. 59, lying chiefly on the westerly slope of Graves' Hill, on which he, two years later, was permanently located. (See A. H. No. 96.) He m. Martha, dau. of Dea. Russell of Littleton, who bore him, it is supposed, sev. chn. He d. bef. Dec. 9, 1751, at which date a guardian was appointed for his s. Jacob, then 5 yrs. of age. His wid. m. (2) John Miles, a near neighbor, into whose hands the estate soon passed, and by whose name it has been generally known. She bore her second husband 6 chn. and d., according to her gravestone, Nov. 20, 1808, a. 83. The chn. of Jacob and Martha Warren were:

3. JACOB, b. 1756.
5. ANNA.

4. LEVI.
6. REBECCA.

7. WARREN, SAMUEL, birthplace, date, ptge., etc., unascertained, was living on lot No. 116, 3d Div., in the extreme north part of the town—the John G. Hadley place—in 1773, when a road was laid out for him by the Selectmen. He m. Nov. 3, 1774, Anna, dau. of Samuel and Anna (Whitney) Merriam. He was taxed here from 1772 to 1777, but d. bef. May, 1778, when his estate was the undivided property of his heirs. His wid. m. (2) Jacob Harris and res. at Ash. Chn.:

8. REBECCA, b. Feb. 28, 1775.

9. ANNA, b. April 27, 1778.

10. WARREN, JEDUTHAN, b. Nov. 24, 1756, was s. of Joseph of Chelmsford, who in 1765 bought lot 114, 4th Div., and in 1773 a part of lot 60, 2d Div., which united to form the well-known Warren farmstead in the Whitman River valley, where wid. Adaline (Warren) Bruce recently resided. He m. Joanna Moore, also of Chelmsford, ab. 1778, and, coming here soon after, set. upon his f.'s lands, which in due time came into his possession. He was a blacksmith as well as farmer, and worked at either calling as best suited his convenience and pecuniary

advantage. He d. Oct. 28, 1841, a. 84; his w. preceding him to the unseen land, June 24, 1836, a. 74. Chn.:

11. POLLY, b. Oct. 31, 1779; m. Timothy Downe; res. Fg.; d. Nov., 1847.
12. JOSEPH, b. Dec. 17, 1781; lost at sea when a young man.
13. JESSE, b. Jan. 23, 1784; m. Betsey Jackson; res. Dedham and W.
14. EZRA, b. Feb. 28, 1786; d. Jan. 21, 1796.
15. JEDUTHAN, b. March 5, 1788; m. Lydia K. Osborne; res. W.
16. MICAJAH, b. Sept. 23, 1790; m. — Durant; res. Fg.; chn.; d. in Ill.
17. SIMEON, b. May 27, 1794; m. twice; res. W.; no chn.; d. Sept. 21, 1880.
18. JOANNA, b. Oct. 15, 1796; m. Ephraim Osborne; res. Fg.; 2 chn.; d. Oct., 1882.
19. EZRA, b. Oct. 9, 1799; m. twice; res. Maine; 4 chn.

[13.] WARREN, JESSE, s. of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of Oliver and Mary (Pierce) Jackson (pub. Aug. 14, 1807), and set. first in Dedham, but returned to W. and bought of Joseph Darby the lot on Main St., with house recently owned by Josiah Page, and blacksmith shop belonging thereto. There he lived and carried on business several years, but finally sold out to Thomas Gaut in 1812, and went again to Dedham where he is said to have d. July 10, 1854, a. 70. The date of his w.'s death is unkn. Only 1 chd. is on record:

20. JOSEPH R., b. Dec. 15, 1808; d. Feb. 13, 1809.

[15.] WARREN, JEDUTHAN, bro. of the last, m. 1819 Lydia K. Osborne of Fg., and lived on the old homestead, following the double occupation of his f., farming and blacksmithing. He d. May 7, 1860, a. 72. Lydia K., his w., d. Nov. 17, 1833. Chn.:

21. JOSEPH, b. April 21, 1820; d. Feb. 4, 1823.
22. ADALINE, b. July 10, 1822; m. George Bruce; res. W.; 2 chn.; still living.
23. JOSEPH L., b. Aug. 5, 1826; d. March 5, 1839.
24. MICAJAH, b. Nov. 7, 1830; d. unm. March 15, 1869.
25. HENRY, b. June 8, 1832; m. Addie L. Ellis; res. Newton.

1. WATERHOUSE, JOSEPH, a native of Kent Co., Eng., skilled in the art of horticulture, came to this country in 1852, and was engaged some ten years in the raising of fruit trees at Roxbury. In 1863 he bought of Edmund Nichols the John Ball place, near Wachusett Park, which he greatly improved and beautified. There he established a garden, nursery, and greenhouses, carrying on a somewhat extensive and fairly remunerative business in which his s. has been associated with him. When in Roxbury he m. Lydia, dau. of George and Phillis Perkins, by whom he has had 1 chd. Lydia, the w., d. Nov. 17, 1883, a. 64. Chd.:

2. WICKLIFFE H., b. Roxbury, April 9, 1857; m. Nellie Cook; res. W.

[2.] WATERHOUSE, WICKLIFFE HAYES, just named, m. April 30, 1880, Nellie, dau. of Rufus B. and Susan (Fosket) Cook, and res. with his f. Chn.:

3. MARCUS W., b. Nov. 18, 1880.
4. CLARA M., b. Aug. 6, 1883.
5. BERTHA, b. July 1, 1888.

I. WEARS, WONDER, a native of Harvard, was b. Jan. 6, 1796. The family name is usually spelled Ware, but was always written by himself in the form herewith given, as it is in the public records and elsewhere. His s., however, has returned to the original orthography. In the year 1819, Mr. Wears entered into partnership with Joseph Edgerton of Shirley for the purchase of the so-called "Forge" property at the Narrows, on which there had been erected a factory not many years before. Improvements were made upon the premises, and the work of manufacturing was carried on there a short time, when Mr. Wears purchased the interest of his partner and was thereafter sole proprietor of the establishment. He run it awhile on his own account, and afterwards let it to other parties skilled in the production of the kind of goods for which it was designed. He was an efficient land-surveyor, and for some years devoted much time and labor to that line of service. Of good natural ability, practical judgment, enterprise, and executive power, he did much to awaken the spirit of improvement in the neighborhood where he lived, and to promote the general prosperity of the town. His usefulness in the community was recognized by his fellow-citizens, who repeatedly called him to positions of responsibility and public service. He was both Assessor and Selectman for a year each, and a member of the Sch. Com. from 1831 to 1834. He held a commission as Justice of the Peace during the last years of his life, and transacted considerable business of a semi-judicial character in the exercise of the authority thereby invested in him. Politically he was an earnest Whig in his day, and in religion a no less earnest Universal Restorationist, and a warm friend and supporter of Rev. Charles Hudson while he was a minister in town. He m., ab. the time of his rem. to W., Nov. 7, 1819, Abigail Parker, dau. of Samuel and Love (Parker) Hazen of Shirley, a woman of fine native endowments and of great personal worth, who, after sharing his home for nearly 20 years, spent the remainder of her mortal life, more than half a century, in self-respecting and honored widowhood. He d. in mid-life, Aug. 7, 1838, a. 47. Her career on earth terminated Sept. 5, 1890, at the age of 88 yrs., 6 mos., and 12 days. Their chn. were:

2. ABIGAIL P., b. June 29, 1822; m. Joseph W. Forbush; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. Dec. 12, 1867.
3. MARY ANN, b. March 8, 1825; lived with, and faithfully cared for, her mother.
4. SARAH H., b. Oct. 26, 1828; m. Jerome Whitman; res. W.; 2 chn.; living.
5. GEORGE W., b. June 30, 1836; m. twice; res. Jerseyville, Ill.; 4 chn.; living.

Mrs. Sarah H. (Wears) Whitman (4) is a woman of much self-reliance and power of personal character, possessing good intellectual endowments enriched by culture and thoughtfulness, and illustrating a type of womanhood animated by a worthy, Christian spirit. She has shown herself capable of effective public service by several years of active usefulness as one of the Trustees of the Public Library.

George W. Wears (5), or Ware (as he chooses to spell his name), res. in W. till ab. 21 yrs. of age, when he went West and located in Jerseyville, Ill., where he still resides. For some years he was a druggist, but in later life has been engaged in banking. He m. (1) Theodosia M. Beardsley and (2) Julia Fay, and has 4

chn.: Adella P., b. Jan. 6, 1861, who is m.; Lulu H., b. Nov. 11, 1863, also m.; Frank M., b. July 30, 1874; and Emily F., b. June 20, 1880.

WEBSTER, STEPHEN, ptge., birthplace, etc., not learned, came to town ab. 1816 and bought the tavern stand on the turnpike below the Daniel Miles place, and run it for a few years, doing a large amount of business. He then sold out and disappeared, perhaps going to Northfield, where a man by the same name res. in 1821. He was somewhat of a military character, and bore the title of Major, the honors of which he won before his advent here. In May, 1819, a Stephen W. Webster d., age not given. No family reported, save his w., whose name was Eunice.

1. WEED, HENRY, untraced, a blacksmith by trade, lived in the S. W. part of the town for some years in the early part of the present century, having a shop on the corner opp. where the wid. of Norman Seaver now res. He was a man of unusual skill in his calling, adding to its ordinary routine of labor the manufacture of steelyards and screw-augers, the first, it is said, ever produced in this section of the country. He, however, lacked the faculty of "getting on" in the world, and his family, after his disappearance by death or otherwise in 1810, became a public charge. The name of his wife is not given, but she d. in 1813. Chn.:

2. HENRY.

3. SOPHIA.

4. AMSDEN.

5. LAURA.

1. WELLINGTON, SETH⁶, s. of William⁵ and Mary (Whitney) Wellington of Waltham, and bro. of Rev. Charles Wellington, D. D., of Templeton, was b. Nov. 18, 1785. He was a descendant of Roger Wellington¹ of Watertown, the first of the name in N. E., through Joseph², Thomas³, Thomas⁴, William⁵, his f. On the 10th of April, 1816, he purchased the brick dwelling house near the E. end of the Central village, with its belongings, of Isaac Miles, whose dau. Louisa he had m. July 1, 1813. Mr. Wellington kept a public house there while in town, as Mr. Miles had previously done, but sold in 1818 to Benj. Davis, the last innkeeper on the premises, and not long after left the place. Mr. Wellington m. (2) Wid. Sabra (Ward) Stone, March 26, 1833, his first w. having d. Aug. 26, 1831. He had a large number of chn., all by his w. Louisa, several of whom were b. in W. They were:

2. SUSAN L., b. July 16, 1814; m. Dr. Benjamin Johnson; d. July 2, 1852.
3. LYDIA M., b. Dec. 4, 1815; m. Nehemiah Rich.
4. HELIODORUS, b. March 8, 1817; m. Catharine A. Wright.
5. ALMIRA, b. Aug. 1, 1818; m. Elias D. Bennett.
6. WILLIAM, b. March 19, 1820; m. Mary — and set. Montgomery, Ala.
7. EMELINE, b. July 21, 1822; m. Charles D. Duprez.
8. LEANDER, b. Feb. 1, 1824; lived at Valpariso, S. A.
9. SARAH, b. Dec. 1, 1825; m. Merrick P. Brigham.
10. HANNIBAL, b. Sept. 27, 1827; res. Sonora, Cal.
11. AARON H., b. Nov. 12, 1829; res. N. Y. City.

1. WESSON, ISAAC, ptge., etc., unknown, and family, from Reading, were warned out of town in 1763, having been here a year or two previous to that date. He lived in the So. part, perhaps in the Nathan Parker house (now F. A. Taylor's), though it has not been possible to locate him beyond all question. The name of, his wife was Lucy, and they had two chn. while res. here (others very likely elsewhere), as follows:

2. JACOB, b. Aug. 22, 1762.

3. ISAAC, b. June 24, 1764.

1. WESTON, ASA, said to have been from Taunton, m. Wid. Phebe (Wood) Heywood, dau. of Abel Wood, Esq., May 14, 1826. They lived awhile in the Tilly Baldwin house on the turnpike, now occupied by Joseph T. Marshall. He bore the military title of Capt. He d. Oct. 22, 1830, a. 36. His wid. d. many yrs. since. Chn.:

2. WILLIAM, b. and d. at unkn. dates. 3. MIRA, b. 1829; d. April 28, 1833.

4. WESTON, SAMUEL W., s. of Samuel and Nancy, was b. Mason, N. H., Feb. 6, 1812. He came to W. some years ago and located on the Foskett place, near Wachusett Park. His w. was Theodosia K. Holden of Northfield, who d. Aug. 14, 1882, a. 74. He d. Jan. 11, 1880, a. 67. Chn., as found in records:

2. ELLEN H.; d. Nov. 20, 1880, a. 42. 3. ESTHER L.; d. Jan. 16, 1888, a. 48.

4. AMBROSE E.; m. Josie L. Burpee, Jan. 1, 1873, and had Edith Flora, b. Jan. 25, 1874. Mrs. Weston d. Jan. 22, 1877.

WETHERBEE.

There were three families of this name in town as early as 1780, all of whom were undoubtedly the descendants of John of Marlboro', the immigrant, who m. Mary Howe in 1672, and Lydia Moore for a second wife at an unkn. date. The original spelling of the name seems to have been Witherby, the form still preserved by many of John's descendants, though others choose a yet different orthography and write it Witherbee. The first given method has always been used in this town and vicinity.

The ancestral John Witherby¹ of Marlboro' had a s., John², who settled in Stow, and by his w., Catharine, had 8 chn., among whom was Thomas³, the progenitor of one of the W. families, as set forth below.

1. WETHERBEE, THOMAS⁴, s. of the last Thomas³ and his w., Elizabeth, was b. Stow, Aug. 1, 1750. He m. (1) Mary Gates of his native town, Oct. 20, 1779, and coming to W. located on lot 31, 2d Div., half a mile west of the Beech Hill Sch. Ho. (the Darby lot), which he had previously bought, and which he sold to Caleb Wetherbee and Jeremiah Wood when he left town. His w., Mary, d. ab. 1797, and he soon after rem. to Rindge, N. H., where he was killed by the falling of a tree, May 29, 1801. Chn.:

2. MARY⁵, b. March 28, 1780; m. Jonathan Sawtell; res. Rindge; 9 chn.; d. May 6, 1843.

3. JOSIAH⁵, b. March 19, 1783; m. Clarissa Sawtell; res. Rindge; 7 chn.; d. Oct. 5, 1873.

4. SARAH⁶, b. March 14, 1786; m. Solomon Wetherbee; res. Rindge; sev. chn.
5. DOLLY⁶, b. March 20, 1789; d. Feb. 21, 1793.
6. ARNY⁶, b. Jan. 21, 1793; m. and res. Harvard; d. 1862.
7. ELIZABETH⁶, b. April 2, 1796; m. Wm. Washburn; res. N. Y. State; d. Nov. 22, 1883.

8. WETHERBEE, NATHAN, prob. s. of Caleb and Hannah of Marlboro', was b. ab. 1742. He m. (1) Patience, dau. of Robert and Lydia Baker, May 30, 1769, and coming to W. located upon lot No. 32, 2d Div., on Beech Hill, now in possession of Eugene Gates. After bearing him 2 chn. his w. d., and he m. (2) Elizabeth —, by whom he had 4 more. He d. Sept. 22, 1786, a. 44. His first w., Patience, d. Sept. 3, 1771, and Elizabeth, his second w., d. Aug. 13, 1828. Chn.:

9. WILLIAM, b. July 22, 1769.
10. MOLLY, b. Sept. 15, 1771; m. John B. Wheeler; res. W., etc.; 7 chn.
11. CALEB, b. Dec. 27, 1776; m. Anna Wood; res. W.
12. JOHN, b. Aug. 30, 1778; m. Sally Sawin; res. Manchester, Vt.
13. LOUISA, b. Sept. 25, 1781; m. Henry Coolidge; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. 1816.
14. FRANCIS, b. May 26, 1783; m. Esther Thurston; res. W., etc.

[II.] WETHERBEE, CALEB, s. of the last, m. Sept. 8, 1799, Anna, dau. of Jonathan and Polly Wood of Gr., and succeeded his f. on the Beech Hill homestead. He d. Nov. 3, 1826, a. 49. His wid., Anna, d. June 8, 1853, a. 74. They had 5 chn.:

15. NATHAN, b. Jan. 22, 1800; d. 1829 or 1830; prob. unm.
16. LOVISA, b. May 20, 1801; m. Abram Osborne, Fg.
17. ELIZA, b. Nov. 8, 1802; m. Isaac B. Woodward; res. W. and Fg.; sev. chn.
18. CALEB, b. May 25, 1805; m. Mary E. Carter; res. W.
19. CATHARINE, b. Aug. 23, 1807.
20. MILTON, b. Dec. 1813; m. Lucy A. Whitney; res. W.

[18.] WETHERBEE, CALEB, s. of the last, m. Mary E., dau. of John Carter, Jr., of Fg., in 1829, and res. on the ancestral estate. He was an unassuming, much respected citizen, and the f. of a worthy family. Some of the chn. were well educated and attained an enviable reputation for faithful and effective service in the important, honorable vocation of teaching. Mr. W. d. April 16, 1863, a. 57. Mrs. W. d. at Minneapolis, Minn., April 1, 1884, a. 73. Chn.:

21. MARY A., b. April 26, 1830; m. George Shumway.
22. FRANCES E., b. Sept. 21, 1831; m. Edward Whitman.
23. LUCY M., b. May 12, 1833; d. Aug. 20, 1852.
24. ADELAIDE, b. Sept. 15, 1834; } twins; { m. Calvin Clark; res. Minn.
25. ADELINE, b. Sept. 15, 1834; } twins; { unm.; res. Minn.
26. JOSEPH A., b. Nov. 11, 1836; m. Abbie E. Learned; res. W.; no chn.; d. March 6, 1892.
27. HENRY M., b. Aug. 19, 1839; m. Lina W. Gibbs; res. W.
28. HELEN, b. March 9, 1842; d. Nov. 7, 1861.
29. ABBIE J., b. June 10, 1849; m. Albert Herrick.

[20.] WETHERBEE, MILTON, bro. of the last, m. Lucy Ann, dau. of Jonas W. and Phebe (Rand) Whitney, April, 1843. He d. March 19, 1848, a. 34. His wid. is still living at Fg. They had 1 chd.:

30. AARON F., b. March 4, 1844; resides in the far West.

[27.] WETHERBEE, HENRY M., s. of Caleb, m. Lina W., dau. of Benjamin F. D. and Abbie R. (Whitcomb) Gibbs, Oct. 1, 1874. He is a mechanic, and res. in the Central village, near the church of the First Cong. Society. They have 1 chd.:

31. ETHEL F., b. Sept. 26, 1876.

32. WETHERBEE, EPHRAIM, bro. of Nathan (8), came to this town from Marlboro' or Northboro' ab. the year 1770, and m. Hannah, dau. of John and Mary Woodward. They lived for some years on the place at the foot of Beech Hill, and prob. built the house still standing there. He sold in 1777, and purchased lot No. 84, 2d Div., in the valley of Whitman River, afterwards the Benson Barrell homestead, where John Boin recently res., which he disposed of in 1801 to Daniel Lincoln of Hingham. He was very poor, and d. in the yr. just named, leaving his family a public charge. Out of this fact arose in 1816 the celebrated lawsuit called the "Malden Case," the question involved being one of settlement. The town, after incurring great expense, was beaten, very unjustly, it was believed. Mr. Wetherbee is said to have served 3 years in the Rev. War. After his death the family rem. from town, though many years afterward his wid. returned and m. (2) Samuel Whitney from Worc., known by the unique sobriquet of "Old Truth." She d. Dec. 12, 1832, a. 83. Chn.:

33. JONAH, b. March 11, 1771.

35. JOSEPH, b. Feb. 7, 1775.

37. CALVIN, b. Nov. 30, 1780.

39. ASA, b. Aug. 14, 1786.

41. HANNAH, b. Dec. 21, 1790.

34. ISAAC, b. Feb. 7, 1773.

36. SALLY, b. Nov. 14, 1777; d. Aug. 31, 1778.

38. SALLY, b. Sept. 3, 1784.

40. HOSEA, b. Dec. 1, 1788.

42. WETHERBEE, ISAAC, connection uncertain, m. Mary, dau. of Joseph and Mary (Hazen) Rugg, Nov. 18, 1830, and lived near the R. R. crossing, east of the Noah May, now Chas. S. Smith, place. Nothing more known. Chn.:

43. EDWARD H., b. July 23, 1831.

45. OLIVE, b. Dec. 8, 1834.

47. JOSEPH W., b. May 21, 1841.

44. EPHRAIM K., b. March 2, 1833.

46. GEORGE M., b. Dec. 7, 1837.

WHEELER.

The Wheelers were among the first settlers of the old town of Concord, Mass. Four of that name, George, Obadiah, Thomas, and Ephraim, sup. to be brothers, were there as early as 1640, and a fifth, Timothy, was in the vicinity ab. the same date. They were all, without doubt, b. in England. Two of them, Thomas and Ephraim, rem. to Strafford, Conn., in 1645. The other three had descendants in W., as set forth in the following paragraphs.

The first mentioned, George¹, by his w., Katharine, had a s. Wm.², who m. Hannah Buss, Oct. 30, 1659. Their s. John³ m. Dorothy Hosmer, and was the father of the first Wheeler in this town. Wm.² and Hannah (Buss), just named, had also a s. Wm.³, b. 1665-6, who m. Sarah Fletcher, of which union came Nathaniel⁴, b. 1702, who m. Abigail, sr. of Ebenezer and Thomas Conant, early res. here. These were parents of Nathaniel⁵, more of whom hereafter. Wm.² and Hannah (Buss) Wheeler had a

third s., George³, who m. Abigail Hosmer, sr. of his bro. John's w., before referred to. A son of these two, Simon⁴, m. Dorothy Wooster, Sept. 18, 1739, and had Josiah⁵, b. Sept. 29, 1743, sup. to be the one of that name mentioned in proper place below.

Obadiah Wheeler¹, another of the original quartette first-named, was b., according to his will, in 1608. By his w., Susannah, he had a s. Obadiah², whose w., Elizabeth, was dau. of Resolved White, and gd.dau. of Wm. White, one of the Mayflower Pilgrims. Obadiah² and Elizabeth were parents of Uriah³, who settled in Sudbury, where his f. conveyed lands to him in 1712. By his w., Abigail, he had 10 chn., among whom was Elisha⁴, who m. Mary — and had Asabel⁵, the f. of Hayman Wheeler⁶, Esq., who res. in the No. part of this town and is well remembered by a few of our older people.

Timothy Wheeler¹, also mentioned at the outset, had 3 sons, all of whom were distinguished by military titles: Lieut. Joseph², Capt. Timothy², and Capt. Thomas² famed as the hero of the Brookfield battle in the time of King Philip's war. The w. of Capt. Thomas² was Ruth Wood, dau. of Wm., the ancestor of the earlier Wood families of W. Thomas² and Ruth had a s. named Deliverance³, who located in Stow. His s. Thomas⁴ was f. of a second Thomas⁵, who m. Mary Gates and had Deliverance⁶, of whom further notice hereafter. Another descendant of the original Timothy¹ lived and d. in this town, viz: Elinor, the w. of Capt. Wm. Edgell, Sen.

1. WHEELER, JOHN⁴, the earliest settler of the name here, was s. of John³ and Dorothy (Hosmer) Wheeler, b. in that part of Concord which is now Acton, Sept. 21, 1713. He m. Deborah, dau. of John and Deborah Darby, and the sr. of Andrew, Aug. 24, 1739. They had chn. bef. coming here, and perhaps after leaving, but no record of any of them has come to hand. He bought, prob. of Ephraim Dutton, the first settler on the premises, in 1754, house lot No. 3 bounding on the N. E. side of Main st. from the Bradbury store to Bacon st., which he sold to Jabez Bigelow, March 24, 1760, and soon after left for parts unknown. Two chn. were natives of W.:

2. JOHN⁵, b. April 27, 1755.

3. DOROTHY⁵, b. March 19, 1758.

4. WHEELER, NATHANIEL⁵, the first permanent res. of the name in the township, was s. of Nathaniel⁴ and Abigail (Conant) Wheeler, b. in Concord, now Acton, May 27, 1734. The f. bought lot No. 48, the recent Dickinson place, and all dependent rights, of David Sangar, or his representatives, selling Jan. 26, 1762, to the s., who soon took possession of the same. After 25 yrs. res. there, the latter disposed of the lot to Dr. Jonas Marshall of Fg. Mr. Wheeler was pub. to Mary Taylor Dec. 8, 1759. They are known to have had but 4 chn., of whom but little has been ascertained. He seems to have spent his last days in Chittenden, Vt., perhaps with one of his chn., where he d. Aug. 30, 1809, a. 75. His w. d. Feb. 28, 1793, a. 61. His mother, Abigail (Conant) Wheeler, res. with him awhile and d. Dec. 22, 1794, a. 89. The chn. of Nath'l. and Mary were:

5. NATHANIEL⁶, b. Jan. 8, 1761; m. Nabby Dunn; res. W., etc.

6. ABIGAIL⁶, b. May 8, 1765; d. 1765.

7. JOHN B.⁶, b. Nov. 4, 1766; m. Molly Wetherbee; res. W., etc.

8. OLIVE⁶, b. March 30, 1769.

[5.] WHEELER, NATHANIEL⁶, s. of the last, m. Nabby Dunn of Marlboro' in 1788, and res. awhile in Gr., but ret. ab. 1794 to W. He owned for a time the Josiah Jackson place, on the Winch. road, and lived upon it, and elsewhere in town. (See page 314.) Chn.:

9. MARY¹, b. Gr., Feb. 24, 1789; prob. d. 1797.
10. LAVINA⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1791; d. unm. June 28, 1871.
11. HANNAH⁷, b. March 4, 1793; m. Isaac Fessenden, Gr.
12. ASA⁷, b. W., April 16, 1795; m. Mary Ann Gray; res. W.
13. NABBY⁷, b. Aug. 29, 1800; d. Nov. 11, 1811.
14. NATHANIEL⁷, b. May 18, 1803; m. Almira Holden; res. W.

[7.] WHEELER, JOHN B.⁶, bro. of the last, was pub. to Molly, dau. of Nathan and Patience (Baker) Wetherbee, May 28, 1792. He res. in town a few years, and rem. to Gr., where his younger chn. were b. Death dates of himself and w. unknown. Issue:

15. NATHAN⁷, b. Oct. 14, 1792.
16. OTIS⁷, b. Aug. 11, 1794.
17. CYNTHIA B.⁷, b. April 11, 1797.
18. JOHN B.⁷, b. Jan. 25, 1799.
19. ASENATH⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1800.
20. MARY T.⁷, b. April 3, 1802.
21. BENJAMIN F.⁷, b. Feb. 15, 1804.

[12.] WHEELER, ASA⁷, s. of Nathaniel⁶ and Nabby (Dunn) Wheeler, m. Mary A., dau. Timo. and Lucy (Boynton) Gray of Fg. He lived in different localities about town awhile, but finally settled in a small house on Winch. and Gr. road, half a mile W. of the village, where he d. June 28, 1841, a. 46. His wid. survived him many years, d. March 14, 1886, a. 86. Chn.:

22. SARAH A.⁸, b. Jan. 30, 1823; d. unm. March 2, 1884.
23. MARY J.⁸, b. Oct. 16, 1824; d. unm. July 7, 1846.
24. SUSAN A.⁸, b. July 30, 1826; m. George W. Davis; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.
25. CHARLOTTE L.⁸, b. Feb. 15, 1829; m. Sylvanus Brooks.
26. A. AUGUSTUS⁸, b. July 3, 1832; m. Lucy Gates; res. W. and Gr.; 2 chn. b. W.
27. HANNAH E.⁸, b. Oct. 1, 1835; d. unm. Nov. 22, 1881.

[14.] WHEELER, NATHANIEL⁷, brother of the last, m. in 1827, Almira, dau. of Stephen and Elizabeth (Miller) Holden, and res. for a time on the old Holden place on Bragg Hill, and subsequently at dif. localities in town. He d. March 15, 1849, a. 45. Chn.:

28. JOHN⁸?, b. 1827; d. Jan., 1828.
29. MARY E.⁸, b. Feb. 19, 1829; m. Stillman Eaton; res. W.; 4 chn.; living.
30. LUCY E.⁸, b. May 20, 1831; d. March 31, 1841.
31. STEPHEN N.⁸, b. April 9, 1834; m. Sarah A. May; res. W., etc.
32. JAMES M.⁸, b. July 9, 1838; m.; res. Townsend; chn.; dec'd.

33. WHEELER, JOSIAH⁵, sup. son of Simon⁴ and Dorothy Wooster, was b. Acton, Sept. 29, 1743. May 19, 1767, he rec'd a deed of lot No. 5, 2d Div., on B. P. Hill, of his kinsman, Nathaniel Wheeler of Acton, and soon located there, building the first house, which stood some 20 rods W. of the present res. of Amos Robinson. He m. in 1773, Huldah Page of Harvard, said to have been a woman of great bravery and independence. (See page 474.) Mr. Wheeler d. Dec. 14, 1826, a. 83. His w., Huldah, d. 3 mos. before, Sept. 15, a. 80. Chn.:

- 34. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Feb. 5, 1774; m. Israel Wood; res. Barre, Vt.; 7 chn.
- 35. HULDAH⁶, b. May 4, 1776; m. John Brown; res. Wilmington, Vt.; sev. chn.
- 36. POLLY⁶, b. April 25, 1779; d. April 2, 1794.
- 37. THURZA⁶, b. March 6, 1781; m. Joel Page; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. Fg., Jan. 13, 1846.
- 38. MARTHA⁶, b. March 27, 1783; m. Pliny Wheaton; res. Barre, Vt.; 7 chn.
- 39. JOSIAH⁶, b. July 19, 1785; m. Betsey Puffer; res. W.
- 40. BETSEY⁶, b. March 18, 1788; m. Zachariah Sheldon; res. Fg.; sev. chn.
- 41. NANCY⁶, b. June 13, 1790; m. Ephraim Hartwell; res. Fg.; sev. chn.
- 42. LEWIS⁶, b. April 18, 1793; m. Mary Stowell; res. W., etc.

[39.] WHEELER, JOSIAH⁶, s. of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer, 1807. On Dec. 19 of that year he bought the N. E. corner of his father's farm and built on it the house which he afterwards occupied through life, and which was destroyed by fire many years since. (See A. H. No. 11.) He was a man of genial temper and "given to hospitality," a kind neighbor and worthy citizen. He d. May 20, 1851, a. 64. His w. d. Aug. 10, 1846, a. 58. Chn.:

- 43. JOSIAH A.⁷, b. Sept. 1, 1808; m. twice and had 1 chd.; res. Lockport, N. Y.
- 44. LYMAN⁷, b. Aug. 1, 1810; d. Nov. 20, 1810.
- 45. BETSEY⁷, b. Sept. 24, 1811; d. Sept. 1, 1813.
- 46. BETSEY⁷, b. Jan. 4, 1814; m. Theodore Whitney; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. March 31, 1884.
- 47. NEWELL R.⁷, b. May 6, 1816; m. twice; res. W.
- 48. ASA W.⁷, b. Nov. 15, 1818; d. Sept. 13, 1833.
- 49. CLINTON D.⁷, b. Nov. 15, 1818; m. Susannah F. Darling; res. Fg.; 6 chn.; d. 1893.
- 50. ORANGE⁷, b. April 24, 1821; m. twice; res. Worc., etc.; no chn.; d. Nov. 29, 1882.
- 51. MARY A.⁷, b. Sept. 24, 1823; m. Farwell Morse; res. W.; chn.; d. June 15, 1866.
- 52. CAROLINE M.⁷, b. May 13, 1827; m. David W. Hill; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. Aug. 13, 1854.
- 53. MARTHA M.⁷, b. Jan. 9, 1829; m. Edward Baldwin; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; living.
- 54. HARRIET F.⁷, b. Aug. 15, 1832; d. unm. April 4, 1875.

[42.] WHEELER, LEWIS⁶, bro. of the last, m. Mary Stowell of New Ipswich, N. H., 1817, and res. in W. Fg., and finally in Ashby, where he dec'd. Their chn. were:

- 55. LEWIS G.⁷, b. W., Oct. 27, 1818; m. Mary E. Chandler; res. Charlestown; sev. chn.; living.
- 56. MARY A.⁷, b. W., May 15, 1820; d. unm. Dec. 26, 1881.
- 57. JOHN P.⁷, b. W., Feb. 5, 1823; m. — Smith; res. Gloucester; sev. chn.; 1.
- 58. SARAH E.⁷, b. Fg., June 2, 1824; m. Gilman Blanchard; res. New Ipswich; sev. chn.; living.
- 59. SUSAN C.⁷, b. Fg., Aug. 5, 1826; m. Daniel C. Morse; res. Worc.; 1 chd.; 1.
- 60. MOSES S.⁷, b. Fg., Feb. 2, 1828; m. Lucy Hartwell and res. West; 5 chn.; 1.
- 61. JOSHUA S.⁷, b. Fg., Oct. 16, 1829; m. Dorothy M. Leathers; res. Worc.; 4 chn.; living.
- 62. Unnamed⁷, b. June 16, 1831; d. infancy.
- 63. JOSIAH P.⁷, b. W., May 26, 1832; killed in the war.
- 64. HARRIET L.⁷, b. W., June 13, 1834; m. 3 times; res. Lunenburg; sev. chn.; 1.
- 65. ASA N.⁷, b. W., May 15, 1836; m. Martha Garfield; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 7, 1891.
- 66. MARTHA E.⁷, b. Mason, N. H., May 1, 1840; m. Gilbert Godding; res. Boston; chn.; d. Feb. 6, 1870.

[47.] WHEELER, NEWELL R.⁷, s. of Josiah⁶ and Betsey, m. (1) Sarah, dau. of George and Sally (Merriam) Adams, Sept. 1, 1842. She had 1 chd. and d. Nov. 26, 1845. He m. (2) Julia

M., dau. of Richard and Hannah (Dike) Morse of Hub., March 25, 1847. She had 2 chn., and is still living, Gr. He res. on the old homestead, but came to a comparatively early grave, Feb. 28, 1853, at the age of 36. Chn.:

67. FRANK E.⁸, b. Aug. 8, 1843; m. Jennie M. Pride, etc.; res. Worc.; 2 chn.

68. LYMAN A.⁸, b. May 30, 1850; m. Lizette Powers; res. Gr.; 1 chd; living.

69. NEWELL R.⁸, b. April 17, 1853; d. April 1, 1854.

[49.] WHEELER, CLINTON D.⁷, bro. of the last, whose name, originally Francis D., was changed by act of the Leg. in 1845, res. for some years in W. but rem. to Fg., where he afterward lived. He m. Susannah F. Darling of Holden in 1845, and had sev. chn., most of whom d. in childhood. He d. March, 1893, a. 74, and his w. some 2 yrs. before. Chd.:

70. FRANK D.⁸, b. W., Aug. 12, 1848; m. twice and res. Worc.; sev. chn.

71. WHEELER, DELIVERANCE⁶, s. of Thomas⁵ and Mary (Gates) Wheeler of Stow, was b. Dec. 22, 1749. He owned land on B. P. Hill or near by, and also in what is now Gr. His name appears in the tax lists for several years ab. 1780. He m. Elizabeth, sr. of Zach. Whitman, and is said to have rem. finally to N. Y. State, whence no tidings of him have been received.

72. WHEELER, HAYMAN⁶, s. of Asahel⁵ and Thankful (Goodnow) Wheeler, was b. Sudbury, April 6, 1766. He m. (1) Sally Wheeler, prob. dau. of Israel⁵ and Lucy, and if so, his cousin, Dec. 6, 1787, and lived for a time in his native town. He came to W., 1792, and bought part of lot No. 115, 2d Div., with lands adjoining bordering on Mud Pond, building and occupying through life the house in which James Marvel now resides. He was a man of acknowledged ability and worth, and for sev. yrs. was elected to the respective offices of Assessor and Sch. Com., the duties of which he fulfilled with fidelity and honor. He held a commission as Justice of the Peace during the later yrs. of his life, and was well known in his day as "Esquire Wheeler." His 1st w. having had 13 chn., d. Oct. 5, 1812, and he m. (2) Betsey, dau. of Matthias and Sarah Mosman, who bore him 2 more. He passed away May 14, 1821, a. 55, his wid. following him May 12, 1859, a. 82. Chn., most of whom d. young, though but few dates have been found:

73. LUCY I.⁷, b. Sudbury, April 5, 1788; d. April 13, 1808.

74. DOLLY⁷, b. S., Nov. 19, 1789; d. April 6, 1817.

75. SALLY⁷, b. S., July 24, 1791.

76. HAYMAN⁷, b. W., July 8, 1795.

77. POLLY⁷, b. W., Feb. 5, 1797.

78. JERUSHA⁷, b. W., Nov. 6, 1798; d. Oct. 12, 1800.

79. JERUSHA⁷, b. W., Nov. 8, 1800.

80. JEFFERSON⁷, b. W., Sept. 13, 1802.

81. DORCAS⁷, b. W., April 2, 1804; d. Aug. 9, 1820.

82. ISRAEL L.⁷, b. W., April 11, 1806; d. 83. BETSEY⁷, b. W., March 27, 1808.

84. ISRAEL⁷, b. W., Feb. 10, 1810.

85. LUCY I.⁷, b. W., Oct. 5, 1812.

86. ASAHEL⁷, b. W., Feb. 27, 1814; m. twice; res. Ash.; 1 son; d. 1855.

87. ANNA⁷, b. W., July 6, 1816; m. Russell Pratt; res. W.; 3 chn.

I. WHITCOMB, OLIVER, s. of William and Hannah, b. Harvard, came from Ash. as early as 1778, and bought a part of lot No. 81, 2d Div., in the upper section of Whitman River valley, where Luther Barrell formerly res. There he lived some 24 years, selling in March, 1802, to Samuel Marsh of Hingham, and rem., it is supposed, to Keene, N. H. He m. Oct. 16, 1770, Dorcas Dickinson of Ash., and had:

2. OLIVER, b. Ash., March 3, 1772; taxed in W. 1793.
3. GEORGE W., b. Ash., May 29, 1774; pub. Polly Hosley, Ash., Dec. 12, 1798.
4. LUCY, b. Ash., April 17, 1777.
5. SARAH, b. W., Jan. 19, 1781.
6. AMOS, b. W., Feb. 25, 1784; d. Dec. 25, 1794.
7. JOSEPH, b. W., April 28, 1787; d. May 20, 1794.
8. LYDIA, b. W., April 22, 1790.
9. BENJAMIN, b. W., May 22, 1794; d. Sept. 30, 1796.

WHITE.

One of the original proprietors and an early settler of Lancaster, the oldest town of Worc. Co., was John White, a very active, much esteemed, and highly influential citizen. He came to this country in or before 1638, tarried at Salem a few years, whence he went with his w., Joan, and chn., to the Nashaway plantation, as Lanc. was then called. He was a man of considerable native ability, culture, and refinement, as he was also a man of property and standing, paying as he did for a time the highest tax in the township. His family, which was large, occupied an important place in the growing settlement, and contributed very much to its intellectual, moral, and religious character and reputation. Two of his married daus. were slain by the Indians in the attacks on the place during King Philip's war, while a third, Mary, the wife of Rev. Joseph Rowlandson, was taken captive by them Feb. 10, 1676, and made to accompany them in their wanderings from place to place till the following May, when she was ransomed at what is called "Redemption Rock," on the borders of the little hamlet of Everettville, Pn. The narrative of her travels, written at the time and afterwards published, is regarded as a valuable contribution to the literature of those primitive days, not only detailing her own personal experiences, but throwing much light upon the character and purpose—the habits and customs of the wild sons of the forest, among whom the lot of our forefathers and foremothers was cast.

John White¹ d. in 1673. One of his sons, Josiah², b. 1643, was made Deacon of the church, an office for which the family seems to be specially qualified, and in which it has been for successive generations well represented. Josiah² d. Nov. 11, 1714, leaving a s. Josiah³, who was b. Sept. 16, 1682, and who m. Mary Whitcomb. He succeeded his father as Deacon, held various town offices, and went 4 years as Rep. to the Gen. Ct. His s. Joseph⁴, b. Nov. 1, 1719, the third in regular succession who filled the same office in the church, m. Patience Ball in 1765. Of this union sprang the first permanent family of the name in this town.

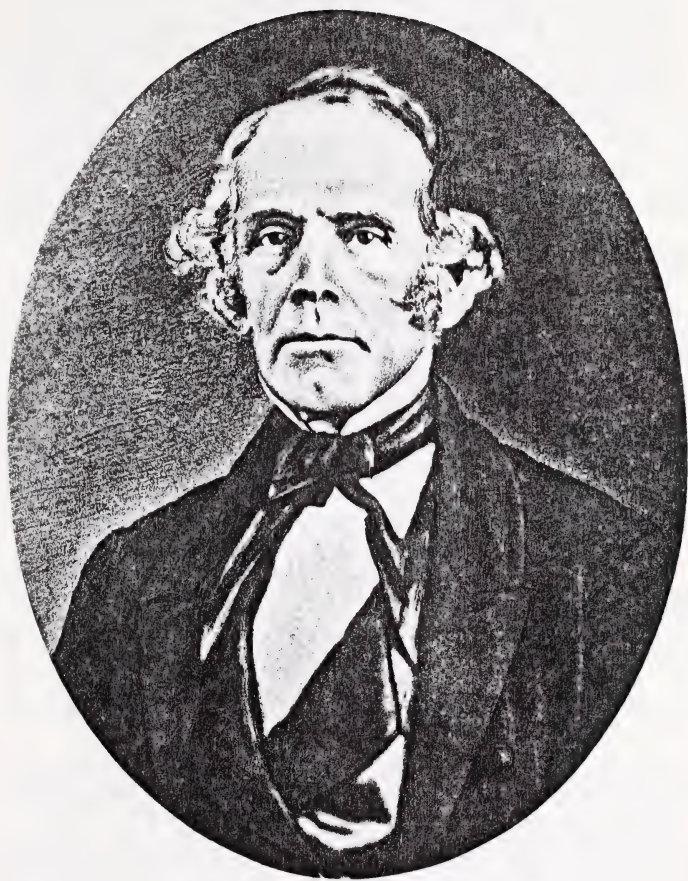
I. WHITE, JAMES⁵, s. of the last mentioned couple, was b. June 22, 1767. He came to W. as early as 1794, when he, like many other worthies, as well as unworthies, was "warned out." May 3, 1795, he m. Sally, dau. of Reuben and Anna (Rice) Miles, and 3 yrs. later bought of Samuel Hoar lot No. 17, now owned by Henry F. Partridge, where he subsequently lived and d. He was a highly reputable townsman, and member of the church, holding the office of Dea. from 1809 to 1831.

He served several years on the Board of Selectmen, and in other offices for indeterminate periods. His w., Sally, d. April 4, 1806, after bearing him 5 chn., and he m. (2) Mary, dau. of Noah and Mary (Palmer) Wiswall of No-town, now W., in 1808. She d. without issue, July 26, 1811, a. 45, and he m. (3) Thankful Patch of Ashby, to whom he was pub. June 3, 1812. She bore him 2 chn. He d. April 18, 1846, a. 78. His 3d w., Thankful, d. July 19, 1845. Chn.:

2. MARY M.⁶, b. June 1, 1796; m. Anthony Lane; res. Lanc.
3. JAMES⁶, b. May 21, 1798; m. Emma Lewis; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 17, 1876.
4. JOHN⁶, b. June 28, 1800; m. Lucy B. Howe; res. W., etc.
5. JOSEPH H.⁶, b. July 18, 1802; m. Emeline Howard; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; 4 chn.; d. July 6, 1879.
6. REUBEN⁶, b. Sept. 10, 1804; d. unm. at Antwerp, N. Y., Oct. 18, 1858.
7. SALLY W.⁶, b. Sept. 18, 1813; d. unm. Dec. 3, 1831.
8. NANCY⁶, b. Aug. 18, 1815; m. Daniel Harrington; res. W.; 9 chn.; living.

[4.] WHITE, JOHN⁶, s. of the last, prepared for and entered the Medical Dept. of Brown Univ., Prov., R. I., from which he grad. in 1824 or 1825. He entered upon the practice of his profession in W., becoming the leading physician here, with a large practice in neighboring towns. He was one of the town's most intelligent, high-minded, enterprising, and justly esteemed citizens, holding the office of Treasurer, as he did that of Sch. Com., for many years, and serving the public in other important and responsible positions. A Whig in politics to begin with, he sympathized with the "Conscience" wing of the party, joining the Free Soil Movement in 1848, and the Republican party in 1856. He represented the political anti-slavery element of the town in the Legislature of 1851,—a session made memorable by the election of Charles Sumner for the first time to the Senate of the United States. In religious conviction and by association he was a Universal Restorationist, and an earnest and conscientious supporter of the chh. of that faith under and subsequent to the ministry of Rev. Charles Hudson. A friend of popular education, he took great interest in the public schools, and lent his influence, both by precept and example, to the promotion of Temperance, Anti-Slavery, and other great moral and social reforms. Animated by a genial disposition and generous impulses, he was social in his temperament, free and easy in conversation, and a ready public speaker. His kindness to the poor and unfortunate was proverbial. "I never knew him," says his son, "refuse a call, by night or day, in sunshine or storm, though he knew there was no fee to be had for the trip."

On the 10th of June, 1827, Dr. White purchased the former store and hotel property on the north side of the street, near the S. E. end of the Central village, now represented by the brick house of Edwin L. Burnham, which was his place of abode while he remained in town. He subsequently became the



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owner of a considerable landed estate, and carried on for some years somewhat extensive agricultural operations in connection with his large professional practice. He sold his various properties in W. ab. 1852, and rem. to Watertown, N. Y., where he resumed his professional labors, and continued them until obliged to relinquish them by failing health and the infirmities of advancing years.

Dr. White m. Dec. 4, 1827, Lucy Barron, dau. of Dr. Josiah and Lucy (Shattuck) Howe of Templeton, a woman of exceeding amiability and loveliness of character, and one most pleasantly remembered by all those whose happy privilege it was to know her. He passed from the scenes of earth and time at Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 19, 1868, at the age of 68. His wid. survived him nearly a dozen years, entering upon the realities of the higher life at Clinton, N. Y., where she had a home with her oldest dau., Feb. 18, 1880, a. 73.

The following notice of Dr. White appeared in a Watertown paper the morning after his demise:

"This eminent citizen, benevolent medical practitioner, and active business man departed this life at his residence last evening about 6 o'clock. In his death our people are all bereaved by the loss of their ever kind, patient, generous physician, who always came at their call without the remotest prospect of compensation, and who not only tendered his own medical services gratuitously, but provided, in cases of destitution, the patients with needed and palatable nourishment, often more important than medicine. The Dr. was from Mass., and brought with him, more distinctly than almost any other person possessed, the traits . . . belonging to the N. E. character."

The chn. of Dr. John⁶ and Lucy B. (Howe) White were:

9. MARY L.⁷, b. Feb. 5, 1829; d. March 28, 1831.
10. LUCY S.⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1830; d. Aug. 10, 1833.
11. JOHN L.⁷, b. Dec. 5, 1832; res. Bloomington, Ill.; a physician of wide practice and high standing.
12. ELLEN R.⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1835; m. Dr. J. I. Scollard; res. Clinton, N. Y.; no chn.
13. JOSIAH H.⁷, b. Feb. 3, 1837; a successful business man in the far West.
14. MARY M.⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1840; d. Watertown, March 16, 1857.
15. CHARLES H.⁷, b. Sept. 2, 1843; m. A. M. Martin; res. Ithica, N. Y.; 1 chd.
16. ABBY M.⁷, b. March 2, 1847; m. Dr. John J. Stephens; res. Washington, D. C.; no chn.

An entirely distinct branch of the White family appeared in town at an early date, and is still represented here. It seems to have originated on N. E. soil with another John White¹, who came from the old world in the ship *Lion* which reached Boston Sept. 16, 1632. He at once joined the settlement at New-towne, now Cambridge, his name being found among the first proprietors the same year. Two years later he was one of the Selectmen. In 1636 he went to Hartford, Conn., with the company of which Rev. Mr. Hooker was leader, and assisted in founding a plantation, removing thence in 1659 to Hadley as one of the first settlers of the place, and dying there in 1683. He was a Puritan of the "most straitest" sort. He had 4 sons: Nathaniel², Daniel², Jacob², and John², one of whom is sup. to be the f. of Daniel³, a res. of Cambridge Farms (Lexington) 1695-1711, etc. The latter had by w., Mary, a s. Joseph⁴, b. April 17, 1704, who m. (1) Hannah — and (2) Mary —, and had 10 chn., one of whom was Ebenezer⁵, the f. of a W. resident, as set forth below.

17. WHITE, JONAS⁶, s. of Ebenezer⁵ and Elizabeth (Harrington) White, was b. Lex., Jan. 20, 1768. He m. (1) Susannah

—, and lived a few years at Waltham, where his first 3 chn. were born. Feb. 27, 1795, he purchased of Samuel Fessenden lot No. 33, 2d Div., in the W. part of the town, (see A. H. No. 32), and there spent the remainder of his days. His w., Susannah, d. June 8, 1796, and he m. (2) Sarah, dau. of Dea. John and Alice (Greenwood) Clarke of Waltham, April 25, 1799. This Sarah was related to many personages of enviable character and reputation. Notable among them were Rev. Jonas Clarke, the patriotic minister of Lex. in Rev. times, and Rev. Thomas Worcester, s. of Rev. Dr. Noah Worcester, distinguished throughout the land and beyond the sea as the "Apostle of Peace," and father of Revs. Benjamin and John Worcester, highly esteemed and influential clergymen of the Swedenborgian denomination at Waltham and Newtonville. Jonas White⁶ d. May 5, 1857, a. 89. His wife, Sarah, d. June 27, 1854, a. —. Chn.:

18. ABIGAIL⁷, b. Nov. 2, 1789.
19. SUKEY⁷, b. Nov. 1, 1791.
20. JONAS⁷, b. Nov. 1, 1793.
21. AMOS⁷, b. Feb. 23, 1796; d. Aug. 13, 1839.
22. MARY⁷, b. Jan. 25, 1800; d. Jan. 18, 1804.
23. SARAH⁷, b. Aug. 23, 1801; d. May 16, 1825, unm.
24. JOHN⁷, b. Oct. 11, 1803; d. Aug. 13, 1824, unm.
25. DANIEL⁷, b. July 12, 1805; m. Sarah C. Sargent; res. Fond du Lac, Wis.; 2 chn.
26. MARY C.⁷, b. April 27, 1808; { twins; { d. June 2, 1809.
27. ELIZA C.⁷, b. April 27, 1808; { m. Moses Gilman and Alden Temple.
28. MARSHALL⁷, b. April 6, 1810; m. Marsylvia Winship; res. W.
29. SUSAN⁷, b. March 10, 1814; d. Dec. 3, 1831.

[28.] WHITE, MARSHALL⁷, son of the last, m. Oct. 2, 1834, Marsylvia, dau. of Cyrus and Peggy (Sawyer) Winship. He res. for some years on the place formerly owned by his f. on the road to Winch., but most of his mature life has been spent in the Central Village. He is a butcher by trade, and for a long time ran the only meat cart in town, but gave up the business as advancing years came on, to his son-in-law, Edward R. Carter, who lives with him. An upright, intelligent, much respected citizen. He has served the public repeatedly in the office of Selectman and in other capacities. Himself and w. are both living in the enjoyment of a tranquil old age. Chn.:

30. JOHN M.⁸, b. Dec. 17, 1835; m. twice; res. Howell, Mich.; 5 chn.
31. SUSAN M.⁸, b. Feb. 8, 1838; m. E. R. Carter; res. W.
32. EZRA J.⁸, b. Feb. 14, 1841; m. and res. Cal.; 6 chn.
33. LOWELL C.⁸, b. March 1, 1843; m. twice; res. San Francisco; sev. chn. (See p. 412.)
34. HELEN M.⁸, b. June 30, 1845; m. H. B. Storey; res. Gr.; 4 chn.
35. ELIZA J.⁸, b. Aug. 3, 1847; d. Sept. 22, 1849.
36. HENRY K.⁸, b. Dec. 19, 1849; m. Etta Peabody; res. Howell, Mich.

WHITING, WILLIAM, untraced, a saddle and harness maker, was here a few years near the opening of the century, res. in the John Woodward house. A chd. d. 1801. Nothing further learned.

WHITMAN.

John Whitman¹, the immigrant ancestor of the families in W. having that surname, was one of the founders of Weymouth, where he was made "free-man" in 1638, becoming a prominent and influential citizen. He had a s., Zachariah², who studied divinity and for many years was minister at Nantasket, now Hull. By the death of a wealthy uncle in Conn., who, dying without issue, made him the principal heir to his estate, he came into possession of a large amount of property, consisting mostly of lands lying in different parts of the N. E. provinces. One of these detached tracts, constituting a good-sized farm, was located in Stow, upon which the divine settled his s. John³, as he settled other sons upon other farms similarly obtained. This John³ was f. of Zachariah⁴, who m. Elizabeth, her family name not being ascertained. Of this union came the Whitmans of W.

I. WHITMAN, ZACHARIAH⁵, s. of Zach.⁴ and Elizabeth, was b. Aug. 12, 1747. On Feb. 18, 1773, his f. sold him lot No. 88, 2d Div., in this town, which had a few rude buildings already upon it. On this lot Mr. W. soon after settled, being first taxed as a resident in 1775. He was a man of unusual natural ability, force of character, enterprise, and public spirit, and he did much in the way of improving and developing the material interests of that part of the town in which he lived. His remarkable strength of nerve and power of self-control were illustrated in the patience and fortitude with which he endured the pain and agony consequent upon an accidental injury that resulted in his death not long afterward. Before coming here, he m. Abigail, dau. of Jonathan and Abigail Wood of Stow. His demise occurred Aug. 14, 1806, at the age of 59. That of his wid., Abigail, Feb. 25, 1816, a. 66. They had a large family:

2. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Feb. 25, 1774; d. infancy.
3. SARAH W.⁶, b. June 5, 1775; m. Joseph Spalding; res. Me.; 11 chn.; d. March 13, 1816.
4. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Aug. 3, 1776; m. Jonas Marshall; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; d. July 11, 1829.
5. JONATHAN⁶, b. Sept. 6, 1778; m. twice; res. W.
6. CATHARINE⁶, b. Jan. 27, 1780; d. May 19, 1782.
7. ELIZABETH⁶, b. March 7, 1781; m. Caleb Williams; res. Embden, Me.; 14 chn.; d. Aug. 12, 1858.
8. ZACHARIAH⁶, b. May 5, 1782; m. Wid. Rebecca (Hoar) Dodd; res. W.
9. CATHARINE⁶, b. July 11, 1783; d. unm. at the a. of 23.
10. MARY⁶, b. June 13, 1785; m. Jonas Goss; res. Montague; no chn.; d. Feb. 16, 1813.
11. CHARLOTTE⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1786; m. Wm. Rice; res. Sudbury; 12 chn.
12. DORCAS⁶, b. March 29, 1788; m. M. S. Forbush; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Nov. 7, 1866.
13. JOSEPH⁶, b. Jan. 5, 1790; m. Dolly Mayo; res. W.
14. DOLLY⁶, b. Feb. 20, 1792; m. David Forbush; res. W.; 2 chn.; d. May 2, 1862.
15. SUSANNAH⁶, b. Aug. 6, 1793; d. 1808.

[5.] WHITMAN, JONATHAN⁶, s. of the last, was pub. to Anne, dau. of Edward and Jemima (Trowbridge) Jackson, Sept. 30, 1803. She bore him no chn., dying May 9, 1821, a. 43. He m. (2) Sally, dau. Thomas and Abigail (Brown) Flint of Winch., the following year, by whom he had 3 chn. He was an active business man and shared to some extent the honors of town office, being three years on the board of Selectmen. Associating with him his bro. Zachariah, the two maintained for some

years a public house at the old homestead, the large amount of travel and traffic over the No. Branch turnpike, which ran past their door, rendering that locality a favorable one for such an establishment. Jonathan d. July 11, 1829, a. 50. His 2d w., Sally, d. June 10, 1880, a. 80. Chn.:

16. ZACHARIAH⁷, b. Nov. 7, 1822; m. three times; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; living.
17. EDWARD⁷, b. Feb. 26, 1824; m. Frances E. Wetherbee; res. W., etc.; no chn.; lives South.
18. CHARLES⁷, b. Jan. 24, 1826; m. Viola Gates; res. Gr.; 3 chn.; d. March 14, 1859.

[8.] WHITMAN, ZACHARIAH⁶, bro. of the last, and like him a man of affairs and business enterprise, also served the town as Selectman and otherwise for several years. He was pub. to Rebecca, wid. of Wm. Dodd, and dau. of Stephen and Rebecca (Wood) Hoar, Jan. 12, 1812. He d. in the prime of life, July 21, 1835, a. 43. His wid. survived him many years, passing away at a date unkn. Chn.:

19. JONATHAN⁷, b. July 19, 1813; m. three times; res. Lanc.; 5 chn.; still living.
20. CATHARINE⁷, b. Feb. 26, 1815; m. Isaac Cowdrey; res. Leom.; chn.; dec'd.
21. MARY⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1808; d. Feb. 4, 1840.

[13.] WHITMAN, JOSEPH⁶, the youngest s. of Zach. and Abigail, was for many years the leading merchant of the town, and one of its most influential citizens. On the 14th July, 1820, he purchased of Solomon Strong, Esq., the lot of land on which the house of F. A. Merriam, Universalist church, etc., now stand, with its belongings, and began an active mercantile career which ended only with his life. He built up a large trade in straw-braid goods, which gave remunerative employment to large numbers of women and chn. in the community, and yielded ample returns to himself. Early in his course he associated with him in business Ebenezer Jones, afterward Phineas W. Reed, and finally his s., Joseph M. Whitman, as elsewhere detailed. He was very active in public life, holding most of the offices in the gift of his fellow-citizens, including that of Rep. to the Gen. Court 3 yrs., and Senator for the Co. 1 yr. He was a commissioned Justice of the Peace, and served as P. M. under the U. S. government from 1837 to 1860. He m. Dec. 16, 1817, Dolly, dau. of Benj. and Dolly (Brown) Mayo of Orange, by whom he had 9 chn. He d. Oct. 1, 1860, a. 70. Dolly, his wife, d. June 4, the same year, a. 66. They had:

22. Unnamed⁷, b. 1818?; d. infancy.
23. MARIA A.⁷, b. June 21, 1820; d. Dec. 12, 1853; widely beloved and lamented.
24. JOSEPH M.⁷, b. June 10, 1822; m. twice; res. W., etc.
25. JEROME⁷, b. Oct. 31, 1824; m. Sarah H. Wears; res. W., etc.
26. ALONZO⁷, b. Feb. 14, 1827; m. Laura J. Murdock; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; d. March 12, 1889.
27. MARCUS⁷, b. July 13, 1829; unm.; res. W.; living.
28. BENJAMIN⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1831; d. March 11, 1836, of scarlet fever.
29. ABIGAIL W.⁷, b. Sept. 26, 1833; d. March 9, 1836, of scarlet fever.
30. GEORGE⁷, b. Aug. 25, 1835; d. March 9, 1836, of scarlet fever.

[24.] WHITMAN, JOSEPH M.⁷, s. of the last, was in trade awhile with his f., and afterwards made chairs in Co. with his bro. Jerome at the old Red Mill, Bacon St. Went West ab. 1863, and has res. in Chicago and vicinity most of the time since, though it is understood that he is now living in N. J. He held the office of Selectman 3 yrs., acted as frequent Mod. of town meetings, was P. M. from June, 1860, to March, 1861, and a Justice of the Peace after 1846. He m. (1) Lydia A. Winchester of Ash., April 27, 1846, who bore him 1 chd. and d. Sept. 16, 1848, a. 23. He m. (2) Helen M. Hinckley of Woburn in 1852. She also had 1 child. She d. at Chicago, Ill., some 3 years since. Chn.:

31. FREDERICK S.⁸, b. June 30, 1848; res. Brooklyn; on staff of the *New York World*.
32. GEORGE R.⁸, b. June 3, 1852; res. Chicago; d. Nov. 13, 1885; much esteemed.

[25.] WHITMAN, JEROME⁷, bro. of the last, m. Sarah H., dau. of Wonder and Abigail P. (Hazen) Wears, Jan. 26, 1851. He was in the chair manufacturing business with his bro., as just stated, for a few years, then going West and finding employment as traveling salesman for a wholesale furniture house. Returning to W. ab. 1876, he not long after reopened the so-called Bradbury store, where he remained till failing health obliged him to retire. He held the office of Postmaster during the Cleveland administration, being a Democrat in his political ideas and associations. Mrs. Sarah H. Whitman is a woman of intellectual ability, culture, refinement, and personal worth, whose recognized qualifications secured for her for several years a position on the Board of Trustees of the Public Library, in the founding and prosperity of which she has ever been much interested. Mr. Whitman d. Jan. 17, 1892, a. 67. They had two sons, both of whom d. in infancy.

WHITNEY.

This has been a common name in town from an early period of its history. While springing from two distinct local sources for the most part, the families known by it have descended from one original immigrant pair, — John¹, b. ab. 1600, and Elinor, b. ab. 1605, — who, with 5 chn., embarked in the ship *Elizabeth and Ann*, at Ipswich, Eng., April, 1635, for the new world. Under the auspices of the Mass. Colony, they set. in Watertown, afterwards Waltham, becoming the progenitors of a multitudinous and widely distributed posterity. Another early immigrant of the name of John Whitney located in Conn., and from him sprang a progeny scarcely less prolific, scattered, like that of the first-mentioned, all over the land.

John¹ and Elinor Whitney had a s. John², b. in the mother country in 1624, who accompanied his parents to N. E., and became the f. of Nathaniel³, whose s. William⁴ was a prominent citizen of the town of Weston. The latter m. Martha Pierce, Watertown, who bore him William⁵, the father of Phineas⁶, first minister of Shirley, and William⁶, an early resident of Winchendon, from whom sprung the Whitney families of the north part of Gardner.

1. WHITNEY, SAMUEL⁵, another s. of William⁴ and Martha, was b. May 23, 1719. He m. Oct. 20, 1741, Abigail Fletcher, and soon after came to this place, locating on lot No. 51, near the No. Common, where Leander Hartwell now lives. The house he built stood a few rods south of the site of the present one. He was a prominent, capable, and much esteemed resident of the township, one of the Executive Com. of the Propriety, and Selectman 3 yrs. after incorporation. He also held a commission as Lieut. in the Militia of the Province. He was a man of wealth and influence, having a large landed estate, which enabled him to give each of his sons a farm, it is said, before or at his decease. He d. Jan. 1, 1782. His w., Abigail (Fletcher), d. at an unfound date. Chn.:

2. ABIGAIL⁶, b. Aug. 27, 1742; prob. d. young, as nothing further appears.
3. MARY⁶, b. May 29, 1744; m. (1) Elijah Gibbs and (2) Edward Scott; res. W. and Fg.
4. SAMUEL⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1746; m. Thankful Wilder; res. W.
5. ABNER⁶, b. May 18, 1748; m. twice; res. W.
6. ACHSAH⁶, b. Sept. 30, 1750; d. May 14, 1772.
7. SILAS⁶, b. Oct. 20, 1752; m. Sarah Withington; res. Ash.; 8 chn.; d. Nov. 14, 1798.
8. MARTHA⁶, b. Nov. 26, 1755; d. young.
9. ELISHA⁶, b. July 2, 1757; m. Eunice Seaver; res. W., etc.
10. ALPHEUS⁶, b. Feb. 25, 1759; m. Esther Hartwell; res. W.; no chn.; d. March 7, 1821.
11. PHINEAS⁶, b. Jan. 16, 1761; m. Elizabeth Rand; res. W., etc.
12. HANANIAH⁶, b. Dec. 18, 1762; m. Azubah Keyes; res. W. and Winch.; sev. chn.; d. 1828.
13. MARTHA⁶, b. Sept. 18, 1764; m. Benjamin Seaver; res. W.; 10 chn.; d. Sept. 2, 1832.
14. SUSANNAH⁶, b. Feb. 9, 1767; d. young.

[4.] WHITNEY, SAMUEL⁶, oldest s. of the last, was pub. to Thankful Wilder, June 30, 1784. He seems to have located first on lot No. 65, 2d Div., B. P. Hill, the site of the house being still recognizable (see A. H. No. 9), but later in life built and occupied the dwelling which was for many years the res. of his son, Smyrna Whitney. He d. in 1812, a. 66. Chn.:

15. SMYRNA⁷, b. March 5, 1786; m. Ruth Whitney; res. W.
16. PLINY⁷, b. Nov. 13, 1787; m. and set. Wilton, N. H.
17. MOSES⁷, b. May 19, 1789; in company with Joel Wood awhile; set. Lyndeboro', Vt.
18. SALOME⁷, b. Jan. 10, 1792; m. Samuel Hale; res. Fg.; sev. chn. One of her sons was Hon. Samuel W. Hale, Ex-Governor of N. H., recently dec'd.

[5.] WHITNEY, ABNER⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Elizabeth Glazier, dau. of Jonas and Eunice, Shy., May 14, 1770, and set. on the west part of his father's homestead,—the recent town farm. His w., Elizabeth, d. April 3, 1778, and he m. (2) her sister, Levinah (Glazier) Ward, April 22, 1779. She d. July 23, 1838, a. 79. His decease occurred in 1811, at the age of 63. Chn.:

19. OLIVER⁷, b. Dec. 8, 1770; d. June 24, 1794, unmi.
20. JOHN⁷, b. July 28, 1772; prob. m. Susannah Smith; res., etc., unkn.
21. LEVI⁷, b. Jan. 1, 1777; m. Rebecca Warren.

22. JONAS W.⁷, b. April 22, 1780; m. Phebe Rand; res. W.
 23. JOSEPH G.⁷, b. June 22, 1783; m. Lavina Dunn; res. W.
 24. ELIZABETH⁷, b. Aug. 2, 1785; m. Lorey Barnes; res. W., etc.; sev. chn.
 25. DOLLY⁷, b. Oct. 26, 1791; m. Vinal Dunn; res. W.; 10 chn.; d. April 2, 1884.
 26. ABEL⁷, b. May 14, 1793; d. unm. April 28, 1852.

[9.] WHITNEY, ELISHA⁶, bro. of the last, m. Eunice, dau. of Norman and Sarah (Reed) Seaver, in 1781, and seems to have settled on lot No. 79, 2d Div., at the S. E. end of B. P. Hill. (See A. H. No. 24.) His name disappears from the records ab. 1800, and it is thought that he rem. to Winch. Nothing further known. Chn.:

27. ORPAH⁷, b. Sept. 24, 1783. 28. JOSEPH⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1785.
 29. SARAH⁷, b. Nov. 26, 1787; d. May 11, 1789.
 30. TRYPHENA⁷, b. Jan. 18, 1788. 31. TRYPHOSA⁷, b. March 2, 1790?
 32. NORMAN S.⁷, b. May 22, 1791.

[I I.] WHITNEY, PHINEAS⁶, of the same family, m. Elizabeth, dau. of John and Tabitha Rand, in 1788. He set. on the northerly part of his father's estate, in the house now occupied by John C. Goodridge. Mr. Whitney sold the place to Jacob Sawyer, from whom it passed to Joel Whitney, and rem. to Pittsford, Vt., where it is sup. both he and his w. spent the remainder of their days. Chn.:

33. LYDIA⁷, b. March 30, 1788. 34. BETSEY⁷, b. Dec. 27, 1789.
 35. NANCY⁷, b. Sept. 21, 1791. 36. JOHN⁷, b. July 28, 1793.
 37. THOMAS⁷, b. March 18, 1795.

[15.] WHITNEY, SMYRNA⁷, s. of Samuel⁶ and Thankful (Wilder) Whitney, m. Ruth, dau. of Nathan and Eunice (Puffer) Whitney, a distant cousin (pub. Oct. 11, 1812), and succeeded to his f.'s estate on B. P. Hill. He was a prosperous farmer and a substantial, honored citizen, active in public affairs, serving some years as Selectman and as one of the Sch. Com., and in other less conspicuous places. He d. May 16, 1857, a. 71. His wid., Ruth, d. 6 months later, Nov. 25, a. 68. Chn.:

38. LUCINDA⁸, b. Sept. 14, 1814; m. Josiah Page; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Jan., 1893.
 39. EUNICE⁸, b. Aug. 29, 1818; m. Franklin Lombard; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. 1891.
 40. SAMUEL⁸, b. March 7, 1821; m. Caroline Puffer; res. Fg.; 4 chn.; d. March 31, 1868.
 41. CAROLINE⁸, b. Jan. 21, 1823; d. Feb. 16, 1823.
 42. CHARLES H.⁸, b. Nov. 10, 1824; m. Abbie A. Tolman; res. Shirley; living.
 43. NATHAN⁸, b. July 20, 1828; m. Mary S. Tolman; res. Bennington, N. H.; 1.
 44. GEORGE E.⁸, b. June 5, 1831; m. Sarah J. Tolman; res. Keene, N. H.; living.

[22.] WHITNEY, JONAS WARD⁷, s. of Abner⁶ and Levinah Whitney, m. Phebe, dau. of Zachariah and Jerusha (Sawyer) Rand, May 27, 1800, and res. on the estate occupied by his f. He was a trusted and honored townsman, serving 5 years as Selectman, and in other useful positions. He d. June 8, 1826, a. 46. His wid. d. Dec. 4, 1835, a. 54. Chn.:

45. PHEBE⁸, b. Sept. 8, 1800; m. Gideon Beaman; res. W.; d. Feb. 16, 1864.
 46. FLINT⁸, b. Feb. 8, 1804; d. Sept. 15, 1805.
 47. FRANKLIN⁸, b. Sept. 15, 1806; d. Jan. 15, 1840.

48. LOUISA⁸, b. Sept. 4, 1808; m. Philander C. Brown; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. April 8, 1888.
 49. GEORGE W.⁸, b. March 7, 1813; m. Dolly Jackson; res. W.; 3 chn.; living.
 50. JONAS N.⁸, b. Aug. 29, 1816; m. Nancy Lynde; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. June 4, 1884.
 51. JOHN M.⁸, b. March 30, 1819; m. Susan Winchester; res. W.; no chn.; d. May 23, 1861.
 52. AARON F.⁸, b. July 25, 1821; m. Mary Ann Read; res. Fg.; City Almoner; 'no chn.; living.
 53. LUCY ANN⁸, b. Nov. 17, 1823; m. Milton Wetherbee; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; living.

[23.] WHITNEY, JOSEPH GLAZIER⁷, bro. of the last, m. Levinah, dau. of John and Molly (Puffer) Dunn (pub. Sept. 14), 1805, and set. on the place in Scrabble Hollow recently occupied by Charles F. Lombard. He d. July 31, 1868, a. 85. His wid. d. June 24, 1875, a. 86. Chn.:

54. JOHN⁸, b. Sept. 12, 1806; m. Eliza Cushing; res. W.
 55. ABNER⁸, b. April 1, 1808; m. Lavina G. Whittemore; res. W.; 1 chd.
 56. LEVINA G.⁸, b. July 29, 1809; m. Rev. Stephen Cushing; res. Boston; 2 chn.
 57. MARY P.⁸, b. July 19, 1812; m. Perley Howe; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; dec'd.
 58. BELINDA⁸, b. May 20, 1815; m. Benjamin Cushing; res. Ash.; 11 chn.; d. Jan. 15, 1841.
 59. STEPHEN P.⁸, b. Jan. 10, 1821; m. Abigail Stone; res. Temp.; 3 chn.; d. Dec. 11, 1851.
 60. LUCY⁸, b. July 21, 1826; m. Edward Chase; 3 chn.; living. A son, Rev. Edward Chase, now res. in Lawrence, Mass.

[49.] WHITNEY, GEORGE W.⁸, s. of Jonas W.⁷, m. Dolly, dau. of Edward and Dolly (Brooks) Jackson (pub. Sept. 9), 1837, and set. on the Samuel Miller (Cutting) farm, three-fourths of a mile north of the village, where they still reside. Mr. Whitney had been adopted by the younger Samuel Miller, and came into possession of the estate thereby. They have had 3 chn.:

61. MARY H.⁹, b. Dec. 20, 1838; m. Joel R. Rice; res. W.; 8 chn.; living.
 62. FRANKLIN M.⁹, b. Aug. 23, 1842; m. Louisa F. Downs; res. Fg.; chn.; living.
 63. SUSAN A.⁹, b. March 5, 1845; d. Aug. 22, 1846.

[50.] WHITNEY, JONAS N.⁸, bro. of the last, m. Nancy, dau. of Benjamin Lynde, May 6, 1841. He d. June 4, 1884, a. 67. His wid. d. Dec. 18, 1889, a. 69. Chn.:

64. NELSON L.⁹, b. June 23, 1849; d. Oct. 17, 1849.
 65. CHRISTINE E.⁹, b. Feb. 2, 1851; d. June 28, 1856.
 66. NELLIE C.⁹, b. Jan. 8, 1856; m. Frank Barrell; res. Ash.
 67. MYRON L.⁹, b. July 11, 1859.

[54.] WHITNEY, JOHN⁸, s. of Joseph G.⁷, m. May 9, 1832, Eliza, dau. of Stephen and Eliza (Goodale) Cushing of Ash. He was a chair maker by trade and lived in the house which stood opposite the residence of J. F. Kellon, many years ago destroyed by fire. The later years of his life were spent in Ash., where he d. May 4, 1873, a. 66. His wid. d. Sept. 1, 1882, a. 67. They had:

68. STEPHEN C.⁹, b. July 4, 1833; m. Achsah I. May; d. in the service at N. O., Feb. 20, 1863.
 69. ELIZA C.⁹, b. July 25, 1835; d. July 13, 1837.
 70. JOSEPH⁹, b. June 15, 1838; d. Nov. 26, 1838.
 71. WILBUR F.⁹, b. Dec. 9, 1839; m. Emeline S. Jewell; res. Ash.; 5 chn.
 72. JOHN E.⁹, b. Oct. 28, 1841; d. Nov. 21, 1856.
 73. TIMOTHY M.⁹, b. Dec. 2, 1844; d. Nov. 22, 1856.



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74. GEORGE E.⁹, b. April 20, 1847; d. unm. Oct. 30, 1880.
 75. ORANGE⁹, b. March 16, 1849; m. Laura M. Colleser.
 76. SARAH A.⁹, b. Oct. 4, 1850; m. George H. Clapp; res. Greenfield.
 77. ARTHUR M.⁹, b. Oct. 4, 1853; res. Grand Rapids, Mich.; unm.
 78. ALFRED H.⁹, b. June 14, 1856; m. Susie W. Davis; res. Ash.

Wilbur F. Whitney⁹ (71), of the above family, is one of the most intelligent, enterprising, public-spirited, and highly-esteemed men of the neighboring town of Ash., as he is also one of its largest and most successful manufacturers. He interests himself in whatever is conducive to the welfare and happiness of the community, and shares to a very large extent the esteem and confidence of his fellow-town-people. He has served as a member of the Sch. Com. several years, has represented the district in the Gen. Ct., and is a Director of the National Bank. He has manifested a commendable interest in the history of his native town, has furnished much desirable information for the pages of this work, and otherwise contributed to whatever of success may characterize it. It is in recognition of his services in this behalf, and of the honor which his character and personal worth reflect upon the place of his nativity, that space is cheerfully given in this work for a *fac simile* of himself.

[55.] WHITNEY, ABNER⁸, another son of Joseph G.⁷, m. Lavina G. Whittemore of Fg., and after living in W. sev. yrs. rem. to Ash., where he d. Sept. 4, 1874, a. 66. One chd. only was b. in town, Emily S., who m. Albert E. Wightman.

[59.] WHITNEY, STEPHEN PUFFER⁸, bro. of the last, m. Abigail, dau. of Abram and Abigail (Barrell) Stone of Gr. (pub. Nov. 27), 1841. After some yrs. spent here he went to Temp. and soon d., the event occurring Dec. 11, 1851. Chn.:

79. ABBY⁹, b. Oct. 12, 1844; still living, but place of res. unk.

80. A daughter⁹, name not learned; still living.

81. EDWARD C.⁹, b. Feb., 1850; d. Sept. 12, 1851.

82. WHITNEY, NATHAN⁶, another early settler of Nar. No. 2, was the head of a different branch of the family under notice from that thus far described, though a descendant of the same progenitors, John¹ and Elinor of Waltham. John², the s. of this couple, had not only Nathaniel³, as stated, but also Benjamin³, who m. Abigail Hager and had by her David⁴, known far and wide as Ensign David, a prominent res. of Waltham, and the f. of the subject of this sketch, who was b. March 12, 1727. On the 26th of Dec., 1750, Nathan⁵ bought of Benjamin Brown lot No. 90, in the south part of the township, now represented by his gt.-gd.sons, Edward and George C. Whitney of Worcester, who occupy a portion of it and the buildings thereon as a summer residence. Early in July following he was reported to the Gen. Ct. as "a good man, at work on the spot." Not finding, however, a satisfactory site on the premises for a permanent dwelling ho., he purchased of his prospective f.-in-law, Thomas Merriam of Lex., the S. E. end of the adjoining lots, Nos. 83 and 84, and erected a temporary place of abode near where his gd.s., Calvin, now lives. This, a few years later, was superseded by a more substantial structure, the oldest part of the habitation herein represented. In 1752 or 1753 he brought to his new home his yg. bride, Tabitha Merriam, whom he m. in Sept. of the former year. It is stated that after Mr. W. had bought his lot and expended some labor upon it he became much dis-

couraged and resolved to abandon the undertaking. But his intended f.-in-law, who had considerable landed interests in the vicinity, dissuaded him from his purpose. Moreover, the coming hither of his w. at an early day helped to make him contented, though loneliness on her part and fear of the Indians caused her for a time much unhappiness. As time went on, however, outward trials diminished, but sad domestic experiences arose. Twice were these new-comers wholly bereaved of their children. By the fearful epidemic of 1756, the first two d. before the third saw the light, while a similar visitation in 1764 took from them the four that in the intervening period had been born to them. Three only of the nine they had in all, b. at a later date, were spared to mature years.

Nathan Whitney⁵ was an enterprising, prosperous citizen, patriotic and public-spirited, and interested in military affairs. As Corporal in the Co. of which Daniel Hoar was Capt. in 1759, he was ordered in the name of his majesty, George II., to impress for service in the Canada Expedition one Edward Joyner, a resident of the township. In 1771 he had risen to the dignity of Captain, receiving his commission from the royal Governor at that date, Thomas Hutchinson. (See Chapter XV.)

Mr. Whitney departed this life Aug. 10, 1803, at the age of 76. His wid., Tabitha, survived him nearly 20 years, passing on Dec. 26, 1822, a. 90. That he was an eminently successful farmer, and one of the largest property holders of his day is shown by the U. S. valuation and tax-list made out in 1798, an abstract of which is given in the body of this work, pp. 207-11, and also by the inventory of his estate filed at the Prob. Ct., Oct. 1, 1803. It may be questioned whether another resident of the town was so favorably conditioned in this respect as was he at that early date. Interesting features of his will are that his s., David, to whom he bequeathed his home farm, shall furnish his wid., Tabitha, besides certain specified household privileges and conveniences, "2 cows, a horse to ride with when she wants it" and also each year "4 bush. rye meal, 6 bush. Indian, 2 bush. wheat made into flour, 100 lbs. pork, 100 beef, 3 barrels cyder, and 10 cords wood."

The chn. of Nathan⁵ and Tabitha (Merriam) Whitney were:

83. TABITHA⁶, b. June 29, 1753; d. Oct. 14, 1756.

84. NATHAN⁶, b. May 16, 1755; d. Aug. 28, 1756.

85. TABITHA⁶, b. July 6, 1757; d. Jan. 27, 1764.

86. NATHAN⁶, b. April 9, 1759; d. July 2, 1764.

87. JONATHAN⁶, b. May 14, 1761; d. June 21, 1764.

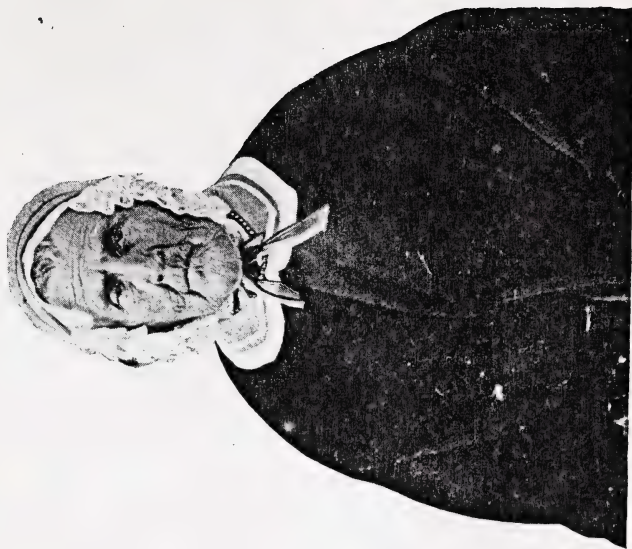
88. RUTH⁶, b. April 17, 1763; d. July 7, 1864.

89. NATHAN⁶, b. July 1, 1765; m. Eunice Puffer; res. W.

90. DAVID⁶, b. Aug. 16, 1767; m. Elizabeth Barron; res. W.

91. JOHN⁶, b. Oct. 13, 1769; m. Elizabeth Stearns; res. W.

[89.] WHITNEY, NATHAN⁶, the oldest surviving s. of the last-named, m. Eunice, dau. of Josiah and Mary (Reed) Puffer,



DEA. and MRS. DAVID WHITNEY.

Dec., 1786. In 1793 he bought of Samuel Gerrish the greater part of lot No. 4, bounding east and south on Bacon and Main Sts., Central Village, and ever after res. thereon. He was an upright, honorable, and trustworthy citizen. He held the office of Town Treasurer from 1810 to 1830, discharging the duties of his office with conscientious fidelity. Ab. the latter date, however, he experienced great financial embarrassment and loss by a business disaster, elsewhere noticed, in which others of his fellow-townsmen, as well as himself, were seriously involved. He bore his misfortune, however, with creditable patience, and maintained his good name and Christian standing to the end of his life. He d. Feb. 14, 1851, at the ripe old age of 85. His w., Eunice, d. Feb. 24, 1846, a. 78. Chn.:

92. EUNICE⁷, b. Dec. 12, 1787; d. unm. Feb. 27, 1812.
93. RUTH⁷, b. Nov. 12, 1789; m. Smyrna Whitney; res. W.; 7 chn.
94. NATHAN⁷, b. March 28, 1792; m. Ann M. Whitney; res. W.
95. PERCIS⁷, b. April 3, 1795; prob. d. infancy.
96. ASA⁷, b. Oct. 24, 1797; d. Sept. 27, 1802.
97. LEONARD⁷, b. Sept. 18, 1800; d. Sept. 26, 1802.
98. ASA⁷, b. Oct. 25, 1803; d. Sept. 6, 1814.
99. MARY R.⁷, b. May 23, 1806; m. N. H. Cutting; res. W.; 6 chn.
100. LEONARD⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1808; d. unm. in early manhood.

[90.] WHITNEY, DAVID⁶, bro. of the last, inherited the home place of his f., and some of his outlying lands, as he did also his habits of industry, economy, and thrift. He was a deeply religious man, earnestly devoted to the interests of the First Chh. of the town, whose fortunes he shared and served as Dea. for more than 60 years. He also partook of the military spirit which manifested itself at an early age by his enlistment in the service of the state for the suppression of Shays' Rebellion. Later in life, July 12, 1811, he was commissioned Capt. of the So. Co. in W. by Gov. Elbridge Gerry. He was 2 yrs. a member of the Board of Selectmen. He l. to be almost a centennarian, dying March 25, 1867, a. 99 yrs., 7 mos., 9 days. His w., Elizabeth, dau. of Oliver and Mary Barron of Concord, whom he m. Nov. 24, 1791, d. April 28, 1853, at the age of 84. Chn.:

101. TABITHA⁷, b. March 9, 1793; m. John C. Miller; res. W.; 8 chn.; d. April 11, 1888.
102. BETSEY⁷, b. Jan. 18, 1795; d. May 4, 1796.
103. DAVID⁷, b. Oct. 24, 1796; d. unm. March 8, 1875.
104. REUBEN⁷, b. May 5, 1798; d. July 27, 1800.
105. AARON⁷, b. March 1, 1800; m. Martha Raymond; res. W.
106. BETSEY⁷, b. Feb. 5, 1802; m. Nathan Howard; res. W.; 7 chn.; living.
107. REUBEN P.⁷, b. July 24, 1804; m. Clarissa Woodward; res. Pn.; sev. chn.; d. 1892.
108. ISAAC⁷, b. March 14, 1806; m. twice; res. in Ill.; d. Aug. 4, 1846.
109. MARY⁷, d. Aug. 19, 1808; m. Wm. S. Everett; res. Pn.; 1 chd.; d. May 28, 1838.
110. SALLY⁷, b. June 17, 1810; m. Moses Booth; res. Newark, Ill.; 1 chd.; living.
111. CALVIN⁷, b. Dec. 1, 1813; m. Huldah Brown; res. W.

[91.] WHITNEY, JOHN⁶, youngest s. of Capt. Nathan⁵ and Tabitha, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Josiah and Abigail (Emerson) Stearns, Dec. 31 (?), 1793, and set. on the first lot bought by his

f., No. 90, building the house now used for a summer residence by his gd.sons, as before noted. His life was brief, terminating June 25, 1802, at the age of 32. His wid. m. (2) James Walker, who d. without issue, and (3) Luke Warren of Hub., by whom she had 4 chn., and d. Oct. 30, 1838, a. 68. J. Whitney's chn.:

112. JOHN⁷, b. Jan. 15, 1795; d. Feb. 22, 1796.

113. JOHN⁷, b. Feb. 20, 1797; m. Lydia Allen; res. W.

114. BETSEY⁷, b. May 3, 1799; m. Thomas Merriam; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. July 15, 1888.

[94.] WHITNEY, NATHAN⁷, s. of Nathan⁶ and Eunice (Puffer) Whitney, m. Ann M., dau. of Andrew and Lucy (Miles) Whitney of Pn., in 1821, and res. with his f. in the Central Village. He was by trade a carpenter. He d. Dec. 10, 1831, a. 39. His wid. d. June 3, 1885, a. 84. Chn.:

115. WILLIAM⁸, b. July 14, 1823; d. April 28, 1847; unm.

116. AUGUSTINE⁸, b. April 9, 1825; m. Mary A. Titus; res. W.

[105.] WHITNEY, AARON⁷, s. of Dea. David⁶ and Elizabeth (Barron) Whitney, m. Polly (Martha), dau. of Jonathan and Patty (Downs) Raymond, Jan. 2, 1822, and set. with his f. on the ancestral estate, coming into possession of the N. W. part of the farm, with the corresponding section of the ancient dwelling house in which he lived. He was a quiet, unpretending man, of excellent habits and character, and an estimable neighbor and citizen. His death occurred by drowning, at Pettaconsett, R. I., whither he had gone not long before to visit his s. Frederic, Sept. 8, 1886, at the age of 86. His w., Martha, d. many years before, Sept. 11, 1850, a. 52. Chn.:

117. FREDERIC⁸, b. Oct. 17, 1823; m. three times; res. W., etc.

118. M. ELIZABETH⁸, b. May 5, 1825; d. unm. Oct. 26, 1883.

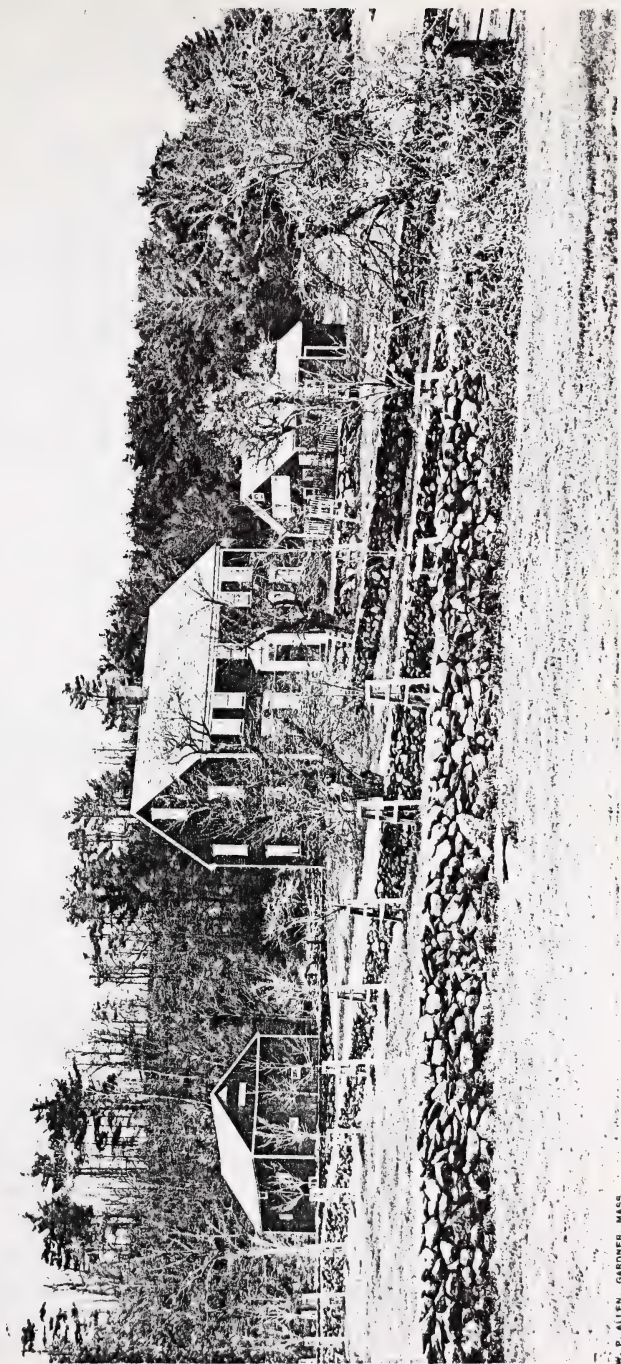
119. MARTHA⁸, b. Feb. 26, 1828; d. Sept. 19, 1847.

120. STILLMAN⁸, b. April 11, 1833; m. three times; res. W.

121. EMILY⁸, b. 1836; m. Isaac Tabor, M. D.; res. Cal.; sev. chn.; living.

122. S. ADELIA⁸, b. Dec. 3, 1840; d. Nov. 24, 1875, a. 34.

[III.] WHITNEY, CALVIN⁷, bro. of the last, and a sharer with him of the landed estate of their f., m. Sept. 7, 1837, Huldah, dau. of Joseph and Lucy (Holden) Brown. In early life he was engaged in getting out chair stock, but afterward devoted himself wholly to the management of his farm. Himself and wife have been deeply interested in questions of moral and social reform, and through them in the more liberal interpretations of Christianity, becoming at length members of the Universalist Church, of which he was for some years Dea. Two of their daus. have displayed much talent in certain lines of art, and made a creditable reputation for themselves in putting the same to practical use. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney are still living in the enjoyment of a peaceful old age, having celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage several years since, amid the congratulations and kind wishes of a large circle of relatives and friends. Chn.:



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SUMMER RESIDENCE OF EDWARD AND GEORGE C. WHITNEY.

123. LUCY BROWN⁸, b. Sept. 23, 1838; d. March 19, 1869; a bright, pure soul.
 124. SARAH BOOTH⁸, b. Jan. 15, 1843; res. at the old home.
 125. NATHAN B.⁸, b. Jan. 2, 1846; d. March 1, 1872.
 126. CECIL C.⁸, b. Jan. 5, 1848; m. Eldora J. Gates; res. W. and Fg.
 127. LUELLA H.⁸, b. April 23, 1853; m. Chester Conham, who d. May 9, 1888; 1 chd.; living.

[113.] WHITNEY, JOHN⁷, s. of John⁶ and Elizabeth (Stearns) Whitney, succeeded to his f.'s estate, and spent his life upon it. He m. Lydia, dau. of Dea. Ephraim Allen of Hub. (pub. Sept. 30), 1821, and had a family of 8 chn., all of excellent character and reputation. Mr. and Mrs. W. were much interested in the education of their chn. and had a room in their house fitted up for school purposes, where in conjunction with a few of their neighbors of a like spirit, they maintained a private school for some time, the advantages of which were shared by the writer of this notice. Having been converted to the views of the Baptist denomination in mid-life, they united with the church of that faith in town, and became active and devoted members, he being appointed Dea. A fearful visitation of typhoid fever in the early winter of 1843-1844 struck down nearly all themembers of this household—the father, mother, and one child falling victims to it. Mr. Whitney d. March 15, 1844, a. 47. His w., Lucy, d. Dec. 19, 1843, a. 41. Chn.:

128. J. EMERSON⁸, b. Sept. 13, 1822; m. twice; now res. Grafton.
 129. SUMNER A.⁸, b. June 27, 1824; m. Lura Clarke; 3 chn.; d. Aug. 29, 1861.
 130. EPHRAIM⁸, b. July 6, 1826; d. June 20, 1850.
 131. MARY A.⁸, b. Oct. 23, 1829; m. Chas. M. Tenley; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 25, 1859.
 132. HARRIET⁸, b. May 29, 1832; m. twice; res. Worc. and Minn.; 2 chn.
 133. EDWARD⁸, b. Aug. 12, 1834; m. twice; res. Worc.
 134. FRANCIS S.⁸, b. March 25, 1840; d. Jan. 16, 1844.
 135. G. CLARKSON⁸, b. Sept. 19, 1842; m. Amy E. Whidden; res. Worc.; 3 chn.

Edward Whitney⁸ (133) left his native place at the age of 18 and spent 4 years in the city of New York. He then located in Worc. where he has since res., actively and successfully engaged in business. Interested in whatever is conducive to human welfare, he has done much to promote the better life of the city, and to lift the world to a higher level. For 2 yrs. he was President of the Worc. Y. M. C. A., for several yrs. chairman of the Ex. Com. of the Mass. Y. M. C. A., and for 2 yrs. Pres. of the Worc. Co. Congregational Club. In these and in many other ways has he illustrated a noble type of Christian character.

George Clarkson Whitney⁸ (135), the youngest of the chn. of John⁷ and Lydia (Allen) Whitney, is an enterprising business man of Worc., engaged in the manufacture of fancy stationery, Christmas cards, booklets, etc. His education was obtained in the schools of W., and at Worc. Academy. He enlisted in Co. F, 51st Regt. M. V., for the suppression of the Rebellion. A Republican in politics, with decided temperance principles, he has taken an active part in city affairs, having been 2 yrs. a member of the Com. Council and 4 yrs. Alderman. He is much interested in religious and philanthropic activities. Is a member of the 1st Baptist Chh., and has been Supt. of its Sunday Sch. since 1871. Belongs to the Worc. Y. M. C. A. and was its Pres. 4 yrs. Was charter member of the Worc. Bap. Missy. Board, and is now a Trustee of Worc. Academy; also of the Worc. Hospital and of Home for Aged Women.

[116.] WHITNEY, AUGUSTINE⁸, s. of Nathan⁷ and Ann, m. Mary A., dau. of Otis and Sally (Minott) Titus, Nov. 2, 1854, and res. on the estate owned by the f. of his w., in the Central Village. He is a carpenter and contractor—a man of ability and moral worth, respected and honored in the town and general

community. He has served as Moderator at tn. meetings, was Selectman 2 yrs., and Rep. to the Gen. Ct. in 1865. Chn.:

136. WILLIAM T.³, b. Dec. 12, 1855; d. Aug. 7, 1860.

137. LEON A.³, b. April 29, 1864; m. Geneva Fradley, Nov. 30, 1892.

[117.] WHITNEY, FREDERIC⁸, s. of Aaron⁷ and Martha, m. (1) Sarah Ann, dau. of Levi and Lucy Allen Randell of Providence, N. Y., Sept., 1850. She bore him 1 s. and d. Nov. 22, 1857. He m. (2) Janette C. Vandenburg of Onondaga, N. Y., April 19, 1859. She d., without issue, at Cranston, R. I., Dec., 1881, and he m. (3) Jane McLean of P. E. Island, Oct. 31, 1882. She has 1 chd. Leaving the farm at 21, Mr. W. worked at chair making many years, and was in U. S. Armory at Springfield during the war. He was appointed Supt. of farm connected with State Ind. School at Lanc. 11 years, and later had charge of Providence, R. I., Water Works pumping station 7 yrs. One year he served as Assessor in W., and has filled most worthily the office of Dea. in Cong. Trin. Chh. at both W. and Lanc.—a position still held by him at the latter place, where he now res. Chn.:

138. HERBERT F.⁹, b. W., Nov. 4, 1851; res. Worc., unm.; an expressman.

139. ALLEN S.⁹, b. Cranston, R. I., Jan. 12, 1885.

[120.] WHITNEY, STILLMAN⁸, bro. of the last, m. (1) Julia, dau. of Sewall and Polly (Hunting) Moulton of Hub., Dec. 11, 1856. She seems to have d. without issue March 2, 1870, a. 34, and he m. (2) her sr. Mary, April 22, 1871. She bore him 2 chn. and d. Feb. 2, 1888, a. 50. He now has his third wife, name not ascertained. He is a mechanic and resides on Bacon St. Chn.:

140. GRACE⁹, b. Nov. 20, 1871; d. infancy.

141. CHESTER M.⁹, b. Sept. 15, 1873.

[126.] WHITNEY, CECIL C.⁸, s. of Calvin⁷ and Huldah, m. Eldora J., dau. of Leonard M. Gates, June 5, 1879. They res. in W. a few years, then rem. to Fg., their present home. While here they had 1 chd.:

142. STANLEY N.⁹, b. April 28, 1881.

[128.] WHITNEY, JOHN EMERSON⁸, s. of John⁷ and Lydia, m. Sept. 23, 1844, Cleora, dau. of Abner Allen of Pn. He res. on the place bequeathed to him by his f. a few years, then went to N. H., and subsequently to Grafton, where he still remains. "A strong advocate of what is right in morals and religion." They had here:

143. CAROLINE J.⁹, b. June 2, 1845.

144. ELLEN L.⁹, b. Oct. 26, 1846.

145. JOHN ALLEN⁹, b. April 11, 1849.

146. WHITNEY, JONAS⁵, another s. of Ensign David⁴ of Waltham, and hence bro. of Nathan (82), was b. June 25, 1733. He followed his elder bro. to Nar. No. 2, and on the 20th July, 1757, bought of Samuel Merriam of Lex. the farm and buildings

originally belonging to Nathan Merriam, dec'd. The estate consisted, substantially, of the present homestead of Daniel Harrington and his s., James, in the south part of the town. The house then standing on the premises was located some twelve or fifteen rods N. E. of the now existing one, in the open field, all marks of which were long since obliterated. He m. Sept. 27, of the same year, Sarah Whittemore of Lexington, by whom he had 5 chn. Jonas Whitney d. Sept. 8, 1778, a. 45; his wid. d. July 26, 1821. Chn.:

147. JONAS⁶, b. March 10, 1761; m. Betsey Raymond; res. W.

148. RUHAMAH⁶, b. April 11, 1763; m. Ebenezer Buss; res. Stg.; 7 chn.; d. 1786.

149. JOEL⁶, b. Sept. 13, 1765; m. twice; res. W.

150. JOSEPH⁶, b. April 27, 1768; d. Sept. 13, 1778.

151. BENJAMIN⁶, b. April 28, 1770; m. Nancy Fuller; res. Marlboro', N. H.; sev. chn.

[147.] WHITNEY, JONAS⁶, son of the last, m. Betsey, dau. of Jonathan and Susannah (White) Raymond, Dec. 1, 1785, and succeeded to the estate of his f. He was a man of marked natural ability and strength of character. Of excellent judgment, well informed, thoroughly upright and trustworthy, he held a high place in public esteem, and was often chosen to fill important posts of public service, the duties of which he discharged with singular fidelity and effectiveness. He was 11 years Selectman, 24 years Assessor, and 13 years Representative to the Gen. Ct., a term of service in that capacity more than twice as long as that of any other person in the history of the town. He was also Justice of the Peace, being well known as "Squire Whitney," and had much to do in the administration and settlement of estates. His life was long, busy, useful, and full of honor. He d. Jan. 3, 1839, a. 77. His wid., Betsey (Raymond) Whitney, d. Nov. 18, 1857, a. 91. Chn.:

152. BETSEY⁷, b. Sept. 3, 1786; d. July 7, 1787.

153. BETSEY⁷, b. April 1, 1788; m. Abijah Whitney; res. Lunenburg; sev. chn.

154. ARETHUSA⁷, b. Sept. 26, 1790; d. Aug. 4, 1796.

155. POLLY E.⁷, b. Oct. 25, 1792; m. John Perkins; res. Leom.; sev. chn.; d. Aug. 20, 1874.

156. JOSEPH⁷, b. Dec. 18, 1794; m. Sally Harrington; res. W.

157. CHARLES⁷, b. March 21, 1797; m. Sally Howard; res. W., etc.

158. MYRA⁷, b. July 16, 1799; m. Leonard Minott, etc.; res. W. and Gr.; no chn.; d. Sept. 1, 1872.

159. NANCY⁷, b. March 9, 1803; m. Aretas Raymond; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Aug. 7, 1875.

160. JONAS⁷, b. July 20, 1807; m. Lucinda Damon; res. W.

161. HARRISON G.⁷, b. Jan. 2, 1812; m. twice; res. W.

[149.] WHITNEY, JOEL⁶, bro. of the last, and like him a man of vigorous intellect, good practical judgment, and great force of character. His positive convictions and love of argument won for him in certain circles the expressive title of "Old Reason." He lived for a few years with his bro. Jonas on the paternal estate, but at length sold to him, and purchased the place now owned by J. C. Goodridge, on the No. Common, where his remaining life was spent. His services were much

in demand as arbitrator for the settlement of personal differences and questions of controversy, requiring for their proper adjustment, good sense, an impartial judgment, freedom from prejudice, and the disposition to deal fairly and honorably with all parties concerned. He m. (1) Lucy, dau. of Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden, in 1790. She bore him 1 chd. and died Dec. 1, 1791, a. 21, and he m. (2) her sr., Abigail (Holden) Merriam, wid. of Nathan (pub. June 4, 1796), by whom he had 6 chn. He d. Jan. 3, 1839, a. 77. His wid. d. Nov. 18, 1848, a. 84. His chn. were:

- 162. LUCY⁷, b. Nov. 25, 1791; m. Joseph Brown; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Oct. 18, 1821.
- 163. CYNTHIA⁷, b. Oct. 12, 1797; m. Ebenezer Jones; res. W., etc.; 1 chd.; d. 1891.
- 164. JOSEPH H.⁷, b. Dec. 27, 1799; m. Betsey Pratt; res. W., etc.
- 165. HORACE⁷, b. April 26, 1802; m. Mary Sawin; res. W., etc.
- 166. ELIZABETH B.⁷, b. May 27, 1804; m. Timothy Weeks; res. Lowell; sev. chn.
- 167. THEODORE⁷, b. April 2, 1807; m. Betsey Wheeler; res. W.
- 168. RELIEF F.⁷, b. Feb. 22, 1810; m. — Tripp; res. N. Y. State.

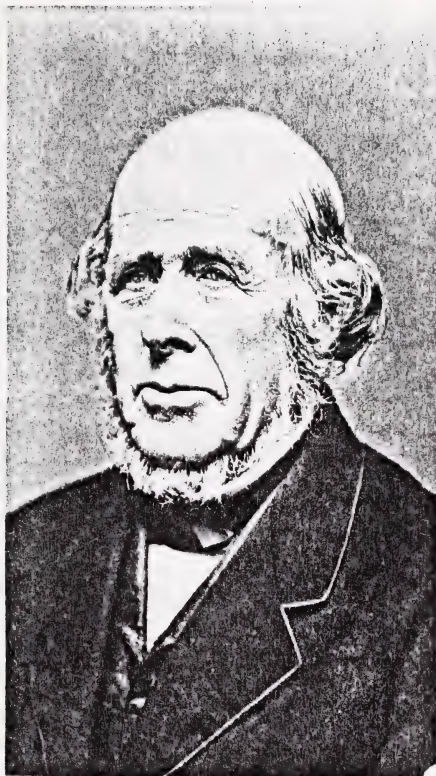
[156.] WHITNEY, JOSEPH⁷, s. of Jonas and Betsey (Raymond) Whitney, m. Sally, dau. of Benjamin and Sarah (Woodward) Harrington, Nov. 20, 1823. He was a carpenter by trade, and for many years a leading contractor and builder in W. and neighboring towns. Several meetinghouses in this general vicinity were erected under his supervision, his thorough acquaintance with his business, and his well-earned reputation for integrity and honor creating a demand for his services wherever he was known. He was a strong temperance man, having the courage of his convictions, and was a member of the first Board of Selectmen elected on that issue, in 1843. As the infirmities of age came upon him he disposed of his property in W. and rem. to Leom., where his chn. were living, spending his last days in the immediate neighborhood of his entire family. He d. April 6, 1873, a. 80. His w., Sally (Harrington) Whitney, dec'd. Their chn. were:

- 169. SUSAN E.⁸, b. Oct. 25, 1826; m. Philip Lothrop; res. Leom.; 3 chn.; living.
- 170. FRANCIS A.⁸, b. Feb. 5, 1830; m. twice; 5 chn.
- 171. WILLIAM B.⁸, b. Aug. 23, 1841; m. Julian P. Tilton; 1 chd.; d. Sept. 30, 1891.

Francis A. Whitney⁸ (170), upon starting out in life, located in Leominster, where he has been actively engaged in the manufacture of children's carriages and other industrial enterprises. He is a man of high standing in the business world and has contributed largely to the prosperity of his adopted town. His bro., Wm. B., a man of genuine worth, was for some years associated with him in the carriage trade.

[157.] WHITNEY, CHARLES⁷, bro. of the last, m. Sally, dau. of Joseph and Hannah (Pollard) Howard, and lived on the ancestral farm till after the decease of his f., when he disposed of the property and spent a few years elsewhere in town. He finally rem. to Monticello, Minn., where himself and w. d. at an unkn. date. Chn.:

- 172. C. ORLANDO⁸, b. Feb. 4, 1830.
- 173. MERRILL⁸, b. Dec. 24, 1831.
- 174. HENRY⁸, b. March 4, 1834.
- 175. SARAH H.⁸, b. June 23, 1836.
- 176. WILLIAM H.⁸, b. Jan. 16, 1840.



CAPT. JOSEPH WHITNEY.

[160.] WHITNEY, JONAS⁷, another s. of Jonas⁶ and Betsey, m. Lucinda, dau. of Timothy and Phebe (Miller) Damon, and settled on Bacon St., where he res. through life. He was also a carpenter by trade and an exemplary citizen. He d. Dec. 15, 1884, a. 77. His w. d. April 10, 1868, a. 58. Chn.:

177. GEORGE⁸, b. Oct. 15, 1834; m. Julia Crocker; res. Leom.

178. MARY⁸, b. Feb. 6, 1841; m. George W. Eaton; res. W.; no chn.

[161.] WHITNEY, HARRISON G.⁷, youngest s. of Jonas⁶ and Betsey, m. (1) May 18, 1837, Laura L. Carpenter, dau. of Alanson and Avis of Keene, N. H. She d. Nov. 12, 1854, a. 39, and he m. (2) Eliza Ann, dau. of Cheney and Mary Solander of Brimfield, Dec. 25, 1855. For many years Mr. Whitney was a merchant in the Central village, but later in life he purchased the bakery and carried on awhile the manufacture of the celebrated "Westminster Bread." Was also engaged somewhat at last in probate and insurance business.

Possessing many of the qualities which distinguished his f., he also shared to a large degree the regard and confidence of the public. He held all the important offices in the gift of his fellow-citizens, including that of Rep. to the Gen. Ct. for two successive terms. He was a public spirited citizen, lending his sympathy and co-operation to whatever was deemed by him conducive to the general welfare. A thorough-going temperance man, his influence was on the right side of that beneficent reform. Hostile to the system of Am. Slavery, he joined the so-called Free Soil party of 1848, and its lineal successor, the Republican party of 1856, remaining its devoted adherent to the last. Having considerable natural musical ability, improved by training and practice, he was for many year's the efficient leader of the Congregational Chh. choir. His useful and honorable life came to its close Jan. 19, 1890, at the ripe age of 78. His second w., an estimable woman, passed away a few months before, June 25, 1889, a. 69. Chn.:

179. HARRISON B.⁸, b. Feb. 14, 1841; m. Francillia Spalding; res. Leom.; 4 chn.; 1.

180. ELLEN L.⁸, b. May 30, 1844; m. John B. Day; res. Worc.; 4 chn.; living.

181. JANE A.⁸, b. Oct. 15, 1846; m. Loring Burgess and John H. Lockey; res. Leom.; 1 chd.; d. 1889.

182. CHARLES S.⁸, b. July 24, 1861; m. Flora A. Davis; res. Fg. and W.

[164.] WHITNEY, JOSEPH HOLDEN⁷, s. of Joel⁶ and Abigail (Holden) Whitney, m. Betsey, dau. of Aaron and Betsey Pratt (pub. April 27), 1822. He was active and influential in public life, held nearly every town office, presided frequently at town meetings, and was for four consecutive years a member of the lower branch of the State Legislature. He was greatly interested in military affairs, and did much to keep the military spirit alive in the community. He rose to the distinction of Captain in the Westminster Rifle Co., and was elected to the same office in a Co. of Volunteers formed after

the Riflemen disbanded. After passing middle life, he rem. with his family to Phillipston, where he became also an active citizen, and where he d. Jan. 9, 1872, a. 72. His wid., Betsey, d. March 17, 1881, a. 81. Chn.:

183. GEORGE⁸, b. Oct. 14, 1822; m. Aldice Adams; res. Phil.; 2 chn.; d. March 7, 1881.
 184. LUCY⁸, b. Sept. 14, 1827; m. Hiram Polley; res. Phil.; no chn.; living.
 185. ELIZA⁸, b. Aug. 19, 1829; m. F. A. Merriam; res. W.; 2 chn.; res. W.; living.
 186. SARAH A.⁸, b. June 7, 1836; m. Aaron W. Merriam; 4 chn.; res. Gr.

[165.] WHITNEY, HORACE⁷, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Sullivan and Mary (Heywood) Sawin of W., April 8, 1829. He has res. at different times in Hub., Gr., W., and Boston where he is still living at the advanced age of 91 years. He has been engaged in lumbering, farming, and chair making, as a means of livelihood. A man of stern integrity and honor, of fixed political and religious convictions, an ardent supporter of the Temperance and Anti-Slavery reforms, and a conscientious member of the Orthodox Cong. Chn., in which he served as Dea. at Gr., his life has been exemplary, useful, and happy. His devoted wife, an invalid for many years, displaying through all her feebleness and suffering a wonderful calmness of spirit and serenity of Chn. patience, resignation, and trust, passed to her rest Jan. 7, 1891, at the age of 83. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney had a large family of chn.:

187. JUSTIN⁸, b. July 9, 1831; m. Betsey J. Taylor and Emma J. Nash; res. Boston; 3 chn.; living.
 188. WALTER⁸, b. Nov. 30, 1832; m. Mary L. Stoddard; res. Gr.; no chn.; d. July 17, 1858.
 189. MARY⁸, b. Dec. 20, 1834; m. John T. Emerson; res. Claremont, N. H.; 2 chn.; living.
 190. H. WEBSTER⁸, b. April 7, 1836; m. Ellen M. Blodgett; res. Camb.; 1 chd.; l.
 191. ELIZABETH⁸, b. March 11, 1838; m. Wm. S. Folger; res. Boston; 2 chn.; l.
 192. ALFRED⁸, b. Aug. 18, 1840; m. Cordelia Knowles; res. Claremont; 4 chn.; l.
 193. WILLIAM HENRY⁸, b. Oct. 29, 1842; d. Sept. 23, 1843.
 194. CATHARINE D.⁸, b. Feb. 27, 1845; m. George C. Woodman; res. Chelsea; 4 chn.; living.
 195. ALVIN⁸, b. Nov. 24, 1847; m. Maria A. Rich; res. Chicago; 3 chn.; living.
 196. CYNTHIA J.⁸, b. Aug. 17, 1850; m. Winthrop Magee; res. Boston; no chn.; l.
 197. ELLEN H.⁸, b. Nov. 7, 1853; m. — Putnam; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.; living.

[167.] WHITNEY, THEODORE⁷, youngest bro. of the last two, m. Betsey, dau. of Josiah and Betsey (Puffer) Wheeler, Nov. 4, 1835, and set. on a small place near his childhood home, but later in life purchased the Luke Bigelow estate half a mile north of the village, where he res. till after the decease of his wife, which occurred March 31, 1884. A misfortune in his early manhood made him more or less a cripple for life. He has been a worthy, respected citizen of the town, having held the office of Assessor some 15 years. For some time past he has res. with his surviving dau., at Brattleboro', Vt. Chn.:

198. ELLEN M.⁸, b. June 10, 1841; d. Nov. 26, 1842.
 199. MARY J.⁸, b. June 2, 1843; m. Julius Whitney; res. Brattleboro', Vt.

The foregoing sketches and accompanying tables complete essentially the record of the early Whitney families of W. and their descendants to the present day. A considerable number of other persons bearing the same name have res. in tn. temporarily at different periods of its history, but it is deemed best to notice only two of them.

200. WHITNEY, STEPHEN⁶, s. of Stephen⁵ of Watertown, s. of John⁴, s. of Benjamin³ of Waltham before spoken of, was b. in 1771. He came from Lunenburg in 1807, and occupied for a few years the Dr. White (Burnham) house, where he had a hotel and prob. a store for general merchandise. He d. Sept. 16, 1811, a. 40. By his wife, Sally, whose history is unknown, he had:

201. SALLY⁷, b. Feb. 10, 1807.

202. SUSANNAH⁷, b. Aug. 20, 1809.

203. E. STEPHEN⁷, b. Jan. 20, 1812.

204. WHITNEY, BENJAMIN H.⁷, s. of Abijah⁶, the bro. of Stephen⁶, and Betsey Whitney of Lunenburg, came to tn. ab. 1836, and established the wheelwright business in the shop which stood near the site of the Baptist meetinghouse, his place of residence being on Bacon Street, where Israel Dickinson now lives. His first wife (name unknown) died Sept., 1843, and he m. (2) Sarah Phelps of Lunenburg in 1844. No children recorded.

205. WHITNEY, GILES H., s. of Abel and Abigail (Townsend) Whitney, was b. Boston, Jan. 18, 1818. He grad. at Harvard in 1837, studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1842. After practicing at Harvard awhile he re-opened the Sanderson office here, remaining, however, but a few years. He rem. to Baldwinville, and thence to Winchendon, where he d. ab. 1887. He was a well-read lawyer, and a man of sterling character. He m. Nov. 28, 1850, Lydia Ann Davis of B., by whom he had 3 daus. and 2 sons.

206. WHITNEY, REV. QUINCY⁸, s. of Samuel⁷ and Abigail (Wilder) Whitney of Ash., and gd.s. of Silas⁶ (7), was b. Oct. 7, 1822. He attended the Academy sev. terms in his early manhood, afterwards completing a course of study for the Universalist ministry, to which he was ordained ab. the year 1847. Some two years later he assumed the pastorate of the chh. and society of that faith in this town,—a position he occupied till 1853. His subsequent places of settlement were Quincy, Adams, and Wakefield. He m. Mandana, dau. of Rev. Benjamin Whittemore of Lanc., by whom he had 2 chn. She d. some years since and he has been residing more recently in Cambridge, holding no regular pastorate, but supplying vacant pulpits from time to time as opportunity offered. Chn.:

207. ELMINA M.⁹, b. Aug. 20, 1849; unm.; res. with her f. at Camb.

208. ANNIE B.⁹, b. Jan. 1, 1854; m. Gerard Churchill, and lives in Loyal, Kansas.

WILDER.

Thomas Wilder, or Wyellder, as he was accustomed to spell his name, is sup. to have been the s. of Thomas, who d. at Shiplake, Berks Co., Eng., in 1634 and whose presumed wid., Martha, came to N. E. with her chn. in the ship *Confidence* four years afterward. Thomas, the father, was gt.gd.son of Nicholas, one of the commanders in the army of the Earl of Richmond at the memorable battle of Bosworth Field, Aug. 23, 1485. This Nicholas was the first of the name known in English history.

The immigrant mother, Martha, set. at first with her chn. at Hingham, but in 1639 m. Thomas Ensign of Scituate and went to that town. One of her sons, Thomas¹, mentioned above, became an early proprietor and settler of Lancaster. By his w., Anna, he had a s. Thomas², the f. of James³, who m. Abigail Gardner and lived in that part of the present town which was set off to form Leominster in 1740. A son of theirs, by the name of Gardner⁴, was a prominent man in Leom., and a Deacon of the church. In company with Jonathan White, a sup. bro.-in-law, he bought May 3, 1740, lots Nos. 28 and 67, covering what has been in possession of the Wood family for 135 years, holding and improving it until 1750, when it was sold to William Edgell.

The first Thomas¹ had another s., Nathaniel², the f. of Oliver³, who m. Mary Fairbanks and lived in what was called the second precinct, now Sterling. Of this union came the first resident of the name in this town, as hereinafter set forth.

1. WILDER, TILLY⁴, known in his day as Lieut. Wilder, was s. of the last named, b. June 23, 1722. He m. Persis House in 1744, and after res. in Lanc. many years, 10 chn. being b. to them there, came to W. and located on the farm where Porter F. Page now lives. A road was laid out from the extreme north part of the town to his ho. in 1764. He was here but a short time, returning to Lanc., and rem. thence to Newfane, Vt., being dism. to the chh. there in 1777.

2. WILDER, JOSHUA⁵, s. of Joshua⁴ and Sarah (Keyes) Wilder, and gd.s. of Nathaniel³, the bro. of Oliver³, just referred to, was b. Lanc., Aug. 19, 1734. He was bro. of Rezina, who m. Wm. Bemis; of Sarah, who m. Thomas Merriam; and of Phebe, who d. Aug. 26, 1824, a. 82. He m. Margery, dau. of David and Mary Dunster, June 17, 1760, and first set. in this tn., but rem. to Brattleboro', Vt., in 1765. They had 12 chn., of whom only two were born here:

3. SARAH⁶, b. March 28, 1761; d. Sept. 16, 1764.

4. MARY E.⁷, b. Sept. 9, 1763; d. Sept. 19, 1764.

5. WILDER, JOEL, s. of Ephraim and Lucretia, was b. Lanc. July 7, 1767. His connection with the preceding has not been traced. He m. Lucy, dau. of Josiah and Esther (Sawyer) Kendall, and coming to W. ab. the year 1796, located on lot 21, 2d Div., now the res. of Amasa Lovewell, which he bought of his brother-in-law, Josiah Kendall, Jr. March 18, 1802, he sold to Daniel Howe of Pn., and returned to Lanc., where he d. May 2, 1837, a. 70.

1. WILLARD, LAFAYETTE, s. of Joshua and Polly of Sterling, a descendant, no doubt, of Simon, one of the first settlers of Lanc., was b. May 14, 1796. He came to W. when a young man, and was pub. to Lucinda, dau. of Daniel and Keziah (Dunster) Munjoy, Nov. 10, 1821. She d. Nov. 18, 1852, a. 50, and he m. (2) Aug. 23, 1860, Wid. Mary A. Puffer, a native of Switzerland. He d. May 31, 1872, a. 76. The only chd. recorded was:

2. MARTHA, who m. — Pratt, Fg.

WILLIAMS.

Robert Williams, sup. to have come from Norwich, Eng., during one of the early years of the Mass. Colony, set. in Roxbury and was made "freeman" there in 1637. He was one of the founders of the church of which the celebrated John Eliot was Teacher and Rev. Thomas Weld Pastor, and an active, influential citizen of the town. He m. before leaving his native land, and delayed emigrating, as he desired, for some time, on account of the resolute opposition of his wife. Her objections to the change were overcome, it is said, by a spiritual vision which revealed to her the fact that if it were made she would become the mother of many devout and illustrious ministers of the Gospel of Christ. Being profoundly religious and happy in the thought of being an instrument for the accomplishment of results that would redound to the extension and glory of the faith she held dear, she cheerfully yielded to the wishes of her husband and consented to accompany him to the new world. Whatever of reality there may have been in the assumed revelation, it has come to pass that a very large number of clergymen, distinguished for their talents, usefulness, high position, and exalted Chn. character, have not only traced descent from her, but have borne her married name. Among these were William, of Hatfield; Ephraim, founder of Williams' College; John, of Deerfield; Solomon, of Lebanon, Conn.; William, of Weston; Eleazer, of Louis XVII pretensions and fame; Elisha, of Yale College; Samuel, of Harvard College, etc. Few families, if any, in this particular, have been so marked in the annals of the country.

Isaac Williams², s. of the immigrant, b. in 1638, upon arriving at maturity, set. in Newton, where his descendants multiplied exceedingly and were crowned with distinction and honor. By his w., Martha Parke, he had Isaac³, b. 1661, who m. Elizabeth Hyde. A s. of these b. 1686, also named Isaac⁴, m. Martha Whitman, of whom was born another Isaac⁵ in 1725. His wife was Sarah Stratton. These all resided in Newton and have many representatives there and in the vicinity still.

1. WILLIAMS, ISAAC⁶, s. of Isaac⁵ and Sarah, was b. Sept. 7, 1748. He came to W. in his opening manhood, and, Nov. 8, 1774, m. Hannah, the dau. of Dea. James and Abigail (Wood) Walker, who were then living on lot 68, adjoining Wachusett Pond, and the contiguous lot No. 69. Soon after, he purchased a portion of the farm and built the brick house still standing. The Walker residence was on the W. side of the road, nearly opposite. Mr. Williams was nephew of the w. of Dea. Joseph Miller. He was a carpenter by trade, as well as farmer, working at the two callings alternately, as convenience or profit dictated. He served the town 2 yrs. as Selectman, and was crowned with the honors of a Captain's office in the militia of his time.

He opened his dwelling as a public house in 1779, and kept it as such for ab. 30 years, being succeeded by his s. in the same business. He d. Sept. 8, 1817, a. 69. His wid. survived him more than 30 years, passing away June 8, 1849, a. almost 97. Chn.:

2. ISAAC⁷, b. Feb. 20, 1776; d. Oct. 11, 1778.
3. ISAAC⁷, b. Feb. 21, 1781; m. Phebe Sawin and Polly Eaton; res. W.
4. EPHRAIM⁷, b. April 3, 1785; m. Betsey Sawin; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; d. April 12, 1861.
5. HANNAH⁷, b. May 22, 1788; m. Ebenezer Sawin; res. W., etc.; 7 chn.; d. April 14, 1823.

[3.] WILLIAMS, ISAAC⁷, s. of the last and his successor in estate, avocation, civil and military office, etc., m. (1) Phebe, dau. Samuel and Martha (Miller) Sawin, Feb. 16, 1804. She had 3 chn. and d. Dec. 19, 1809, a. 26. He then m. (2) Jan. 6, 1811, Polly, dau. John and Mary (Larkin) Eaton of Gr., who bore him 3 chn. He remained in town till ab. 1842, when he sold his place and rem. to Jamestown, N. Y., that he might be near a dau. res. there. He d. in 1860, a. 79. His w. Polly d. 1870, a. 80. Chn.:

6. GEORGE⁸, b. May 5, 1805; d. unm. at Pittsfield, Sept., 1831. (See below.)
7. Unnamed⁸; d. 1808. 8. Unnamed⁸; d. 1813.
9. MARY⁸, b. May 4, 1814; m. Ezra Wood; res. Jamestown, N. Y.; living.
10. CHARLES⁸, b. Sept. 14, 1816; no further record.
11. CALVIN⁸, b. Feb. 21, 1819; no further record.

George Williams, the oldest of the above chn., says Mr. George Wood who knew him well, "was a young man of rare genius, and gave promise of success and eminence had his life been spared. He improved every opportunity for culture, was of very pure character, and high moral sensibilities." He early learned the trade of cabinet making, but finding himself possessed of much skill and taste in the painters' art, turned his attention to that calling in some of its higher and more delicate forms. "After spending a year in the studio of Prof. West in Boston, he produced many portraits, to which high merit was accorded, and subsequently several Scriptures scenes, which attracted much attention." A short time before his death he completed arrangements with the celebrated Am. sculptor, Powers, for a course of study under his direction at Rome, Italy. But his sudden and premature demise put an end to his earthly labors and aspirations, and removed from the world one who, it is believed by those who knew him best, would have been an honor to himself and his friends, and given another name to the catalogue of those that shine illustrious in the annals of Am. art. "*Sic transit gloria mundi.*"

I. WILSON, BENJAMIN, s. of Edward and Margaret (Rice?) Wilson of Shrewsbury, was b. ab. 1730, and m. Sarah, dau. Joseph Sawyer, prob. in 1754. Though the W. records contain the names and dates of birth of his chn., yet it is difficult to fix the place of residence here. He at one time seems to have lived at what was called Gardner's Farm in No-town, now Pn. But he and his w. were both members of the W. chh., whence they were dismissed to the chh. in Fitzwilliam, N. H., July 8, 1787, where his last days were spent. His w., Sarah, d. Sept. 11, 1769, a. 33, and he m. (2) Mehitable Foster the following year. He d. at F. Oct. 31, 1790. Chn., all by first w.:

2. NATHANIEL, b. April 15, 1755; m. Abigail —; res. Fitzwilliam; no chn.; d. Jan. 3, 1817.
3. ARTEMAS, b. Feb. 14, 1757; m. Cata Drury; res. Fitzwilliam; 4 chn.; d. April 30, 1847.

4. Unnamed, b. Sept. 28, 1758; d. Nov. 23, 1758.
5. TABITHA, b. June 3, 1760; m. Jonadab Baker; res. Marlboro', N. H.; 4 chn.
6. MARY, b. March 21, 1762; m. Peter Prescott; res. Sterling; 9 chn.; d. July 10, 1846.
7. BENJAMIN, b. Nov. 25, 1763; d. Nov. 26, 1765.
8. LUKE, b. Nov. 4, 1765; d. Oct. 3, 1794.
9. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 31, 1767; d. infancy.

WINSHIP.

The common ancestor of the Winships of N. E. was Edward¹ of Cambridge, who was made "freeman" there in 1635. He was an active and honored member of the chh. and a very useful and influential citizen of the town. His ability and worth were duly recognized and rewarded by his contemporaries, who elected him Selectman 11 yrs., and sent him to the Gen. Ct. 8 yrs. He possessed a large amount of real estate and was able to bequeath a farm to each of his four sons at his decease. He spelled his name Winshipp, and the historian of Camb., Rev. L. R. Paige, found twelve other varieties of orthography in the early records.

Edward Winship¹ had by his w., Elizabeth, a s. Edward², who, like his father, occupied responsible and prominent positions before the public, and owned extensive landed property. His w. was Rebecca Barsham, who bore him 7 chn. Of these, Ephraim³ m. Hannah Cutter and set. at Camb. Farms, Lexington. He too was a man active and honored in public affairs, and his wife was a public school teacher of some note. The records of this family are imperfect, the names of some of the chn. not appearing in them at all. This was the case with the one who settled in this town, and it was only after long search, and by the use of many expedients, that his ancestral relationship was discovered.

I. WINSHIP, JONAS⁴, s. of Ephraim³ and Hannah, was b. ab. 1726, as indicated by the date of his d. and age given in the W. records. His parentage, sought for a great while in vain, was at length determined by a charge against the estate of his f. in the account of the administrator filed at the Middlesex Co. Probate office, to wit: "To journey to Narragansett No. 2, to notify one of the heirs and expenses, 12 shillings." This was the key that unlocked the previously inscrutable mystery. There was no other person in No. 2 at the time of Ephraim Winship's decease to whom the phrase "one of the heirs" could possibly be applied, and the question of his lineage was settled beyond question.

Mr. Winship came to these parts in 1751, purchasing Sept. 3 of that year, of Wm. Brattle of Camb., lot No. 46, located on what is called Prospect Hill,—the estate that is still owned by his granddaughter, Mrs. Maria W. Comee of Charlestown. He was not a man of special public prominence, though a substantial and worthy citizen, but he brought into the township with him, either in his own person or that of his wife, one gift or faculty which has made the people at large his debtor to this day, and is worthy of special commemoration,—and that was the gift or faculty of song. Without ignoring or disparaging what others have done in this behalf, it may be said that the original Winship family contributed more largely than any other ever residing here to the musical character of the people, and to the

profit and happiness that are derived from that source. Whenever the Winship blood has gone, through whatever channels it has flowed, it has rippled forth into singing, and multitudes of hearts and lives have been refreshed and blest thereby.

Soon after appearing in town, Mr. Winship m. Mary —, whose family name has not been ascertained. She became the m. of his 10 chn., and d. Nov. 11, 1779, a. 45, when he m. (2) Mary, wid. of Josiah Jackson, the dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Patch) Darby. He d. April 16, 1805, a. 79; and his surviving widow, Feb. 4, 1823, a. 87. The record of the family is given as it stands in the town clerk's book, to wit:

2. Feb. ye 26, 1755, Dorcas Winship Borne about 3 of clock in ye morning on Wednesday.
3. Nov. ye 7, 1756, Mary Winship Borne Between Nine and Ten in ye evening.
4. Apr. ye 29, 1758, Moses Winship, Borne on Saturday three clock afternoone.
5. Jan. ye 4, 1760, Prudence Winship Borne att five clock afternoone.
6. June ye 3, 1762, Jonas Winship Borne. Jonas Winship Deceased June 3, 1762.
7. Sept. ye 9, 1763, Hannah Winship Borne on Friday 9 of clock forenoon.
8. Sept. ye 7, 1765, Jonas Winship Borne on Saturday, 12 of clock, att noone.
9. Oct. ye 31, 1767, Cyrus Winship Borne Saturday 7 clock evening.
10. May 27, 1772, Bethia Winship Born.
11. Dec. 26, 1773, Asenath Winship Born.

Of the daughters of this family, Dorcas m. Aaron Bolton, had 10 chn., and d. May 5, 1826; Mary m. Jonathan Brooks of Fg., had sev. chn., and d. at unkn. date; Prudence m. Samuel Taylor, had 4 chn., and d. Jan. 23, 1813; Hannah m. Silas Smith, and d. soon, leaving no chn.; Bethia m. Asa Miller, had 7 chn., and d. Nov. 26, 1854; Asenath m. Luke Bigelow, had 11 chn., and d. Aug. 2, 1845. Moses, the oldest s., enlisted in the army, where he contracted disease of which he d. on his way home.

[6.] WINSHIP, JONAS⁵, second s. of the last, m. Deborah, dau. Ephraim and Beulah (Wheeler) Miller, Feb. 5, 1795, and set. on lot 52, 2d Div., in the N. W. part of the town. The place was recently owned by Leonard Smith. He d. April 20, 1839, a. 73. His w., Deborah, d. Aug. 8, 1844, a. 67. Chn.:

12. PEGGY⁶, b. Dec. 14, 1795; d. March 24, 1868, unnm.
13. MARY⁶, b. Nov. 4, 1797; }
14. JONAS⁶, b. Nov. 4, 1797; } twins; no record of them; prob. d. young.
15. JOHN⁶, b. Nov. 10, 1799; m. Mary F. Munroe; res. Ash.; 3 chn.; d. Nov. 11, 1879.
16. CYRUS⁶, b. Sept. 22, 1801; d. Oct. 24, 1851, unnm.
17. FREDERICK⁶, b. May 28, 1805; m. Sarah F. Gray; res. W.; no chn. recorded; d. Oct. 3, 1857.
18. SYLVESTER⁶, b. April 25, 1807; m. Lucy Munroe; res. Ash.; 4 chn.; d. July 11, 1883.
19. CHARLES⁶, b. May 9, 1809; d. unnm. May 10, 1873.
20. SALLY⁶, b. Jan. 27, 1813; d. Sept. 20, 1826.
21. DOLLY⁶, b. June 7, 1818; d. Oct. 9, 1818.

[9.] WINSHIP, CYRUS⁵, bro. of the last, m. (1) Peggy, dau. Jonathan and Jerusha (Flint) Sawyer, Jan. 9, 1794, and spent his days upon the old homestead, Prospect Hill. He was an active, influential, and honored citizen, public spirited, generous-hearted, and of courteous and gentlemanly manners. He was Selectman 5 years, Assessor 9 years, and 5 years Rep. to the Gen. Ct., besides serving on the Sch. Com. and in other responsible positions of public duty. He was also an earnest member

of the Universalist (Restorationist) Society, being one of its founders and an intelligent believer in its doctrines. Inheriting unusual musical ability and taste, which were improved by culture, he was for many years an efficient and acceptable teacher of singing and leader of church choirs. His first w. d. Feb. 9, 1813, and he m. (2) June 22, 1814, Wid. Mercy Woodbury of Orange, dau. of Benj. and Cady Wood, by whom he had 1 chd. She d. March 6, 1845, a. 61, and he Oct. 25, 1855, at the venerable age of 87 yrs., 11 mos., 25 ds. Chn.:

22. NANCY⁶, b. Nov. 27, 1796; d. unm. May 24, 1879.
23. HANNAH⁶, b. March 2, 1799; d. unm. Feb. 12, 1879.
24. PEGGY⁶, b. March 11, 1801; m. Ezra Jones; res. Temp.; 1 chd.; d. March 5, 1867.
25. FRANKLIN⁶, b. March 14, 1803; m. and res. Boston; had chn.; dec'd.
26. CYRUS⁶, b. April 10, 1805; m. and res. Rochester, N. Y.; had chn.; d. Oct. 11, 1879.
27. MARYSALVIA⁶, b. June 19, 1807; m. Marshall White; res. W.; 7 chn.; living.
28. LORENZO⁶, b. Oct. 2, 1809; d. unm. July 15, 1886.
29. HANDEL⁶, b. Sept. 9, 1811; m. Sarah D. Clark; res. W.; no chn.; living.
30. MARIA⁶, b. April 13, 1817; m. Wm. W. Comee; res. Fg. and Boston; 3 chn.; 1.

WISWALL.

Elder Thomas Wiswall¹, with his bro. John¹, came from Eng. in 1635 and, settling in Dorchester, was one of the leading citizens of that town. A s. Noah², who located at Newton, was known as Capt. Wiswall, having distinguished himself in the Indian wars by exploits evincing much valor and bravery. He was f. of Lieut. Thomas³, who had a s. Noah⁴, also dignified by the title of Capt. These all res. in Newton. In 1733 the heirs of the first Capt. Noah² were allowed 1500 acres of land in Lunenburg and Rutland, east of Wachusett Hill, for services rendered the Mass. Colony. It was by reason of this grant that the family was represented in these parts.

I. WISWALL, NOAH⁵, s. of the second Capt. Noah⁴ and Thankful (Fuller) Wiswall of Newton, was b. July 7, 1740. He m. Mary Palmer, also of Newton, whose bro. in turn m. one of his sisters. The latter were parents of the eccentric Joseph Palmer, whose persistent habit of wearing a full beard 60 years ago, made him somewhat notorious in the community and the subject of not very commendatory remark. Out of the lands granted as above stated, Capt. Noah Wiswall⁴, into whose possession large portions of them had come, gave his son Noah⁵ and son-in-law Palmer each a farm lying side by side in what proved afterward to be the unincorporated district called No-town. Upon these farms the two in due time settled. They supposed that their estates were within the limits of Fitchburg (which, however, was not the case), and Mr. Wiswall petitioned the Legislature to be set off from that town to Westminster, a request that received favorable consideration. (See p. 428.) The records of his family are very imperfect. He d. Oct. 21, 1800, a. 60. Mrs. W. d. June 1, 1824, a. 71. His chn., so far as ascertained, were Noah⁶, Ebenezer⁶, William⁶, Seth⁶, Howard⁶, John P.⁶, Joseph⁶, Japheth⁶, Jane⁶, and Nancy⁶. William⁶ became a permanent

resident in town, as noted below, and Nancy⁶ m. Abel Wood, as stated a few pages hence.

2. WISWALL, WILLIAM⁶, s. of the last, m. Lydia, dau. of Jonathan Hager, in 1802, and set. on the original Samuel Hager place, now occupied by W. C. Foskett. He was a religious enthusiast and a leader in the Millerite excitement which culminated and collapsed in 1843. His w. d. Feb. 22, 1846, a. 64, and he m. (2) Wid. Susan B. Rice of Ash. He d. July 26, 1849, a. 68, and his wid. m. (3) Abel Bennett of Hub. She d. Dec. 2, 1883. Chn.:

3. LOUISA⁷, b. Jan. 21, 1803; m. Asaph Derby; went to Iowa; 1 chd.
4. MELINDA⁷, b. April 24, 1804; m. B. N. Prescott; res. W.; 6 chn.
5. WILLIAM⁷, b. June 4, 1806; d. April 23, 1818.
6. LUCY⁷, b. Sept. 23, 1809; m. — Johnson; res. Ill.; 3 chn.; living.
7. JANE⁷, b. July 14, 1815; m. J. T. G. Cruse; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. June 24, 1862.
8. SETH⁷, b. Feb. 17, 1817; unm.; joined U. S. Army; in Florida war.
9. LEONORA⁷, b. Aug. 24, 1819; d. May 1, 1830.
10. WILLIAM⁷, b. Feb. 17, 1821; d. July 27, 1840.
11. CAROLINE⁷, b. Nov. 20, 1822; m. Geo. W. Johnson; res. Iowa; no chn.
12. LYDIA E.⁷; m. Isaac Newton; sev. chn.; dec'd.

WOOD.

William Wood¹ the founder of the principal N. E. family designated by this name, and a somewhat distinguished character in N. E. history, was b. in Derbyshire, Eng., 1582. He is the accredited author of a book entitled "New England's prospects," which gives a glowing account of the conditions of things in this part of the country soon after its settlement, and of the outlook for the future, and was evidently written for the purpose of promoting emigration from the old world to these shores. It is sup. that he was here in the first years of the Mass. Colony, made observations and gathered data for his work, went back to his native land and wrote it, as it was printed there in 1636; soon after returned and set. permanently at Concord. He had two chn.—Ruth², who m. Capt. Thomas Wheeler of Indian warfare memory, and Michael², one of whose sons, Abraham³, lived awhile in Concord, but rem. to Sudbury in 1729, and d. there thirteen years afterward. Of his 7 chn., three set. in W.—Hannah, who m. Daniel Walker; Abigail, the wife of James Walker; also the youngest s., now to be mentioned.

I. WOOD, NATHAN⁴, was born in Concord, March 24, 1723. He m., May 2, 1750, Rebecca, dau. of Abijah Haynes of Sudbury, and set. in Stow, where 4 of his chn. were b. Feb. 10, 1756, he bought of Daniel Goodnow, a temporary owner of the property, the large estate composed of lots Nos. 28 and 67, now represented by one of his gt.gd. sons, Theodore S. Wood, and soon located upon it. He became the head of a large number of descendants, among whom may be found, in the several generations succeeding him, some of the most exemplary and respected men and women of the town—some of the most active and influential in religious, reformatory, civil, and secular affairs. Mr. Wood was himself a man of high character, upright, devout, patriotic, Christian in spirit and in life. His marked personal qualities seemed to impress his fellow-townsmen favorably at an early day and win for him their regard and confidence. He

was elected one of the Stand. Com. of the township the year following his settlement here, and after, the Act of Incorporation took effect, was 5 years chosen Assessor and 9 years Selectman. He was the first Rep. to the Colonial Legislature, and was a member of that body when it convened at Salem in Oct., 1774, and converted itself into a Provincial Congress, thus leading the revolt which resulted in the independence of the Colonies and the establishment of the Am. Republic. He was also a Delegate to the two succeeding Provincial Congresses, and stood always steadfast and true to the cause of civil and religious liberty. He was a deeply religious man, devoted to the interests of the chh., in which he held the office of Deacon, as have several of his descendants. His w. is said to have been a woman of great self-reliance and force of character, and highly esteemed for her superior qualities of mind and heart. After the d. of her husband, which occurred June 18, 1777, at the age of 54, she m. Nathan Howard, whom she survived many years, passing away March 20, 1819, a. 87. Chn.:

2. LUCY⁶, b. April 10, 1751; m. Benjamin Barnard; res. W., etc.; 8 chn.; d. 1849.
3. NATHAN⁶, b. Nov. 7, 1752; m. twice; res. W.
4. AHIJAH⁶, b. Feb. 15, 1754; m. twice; res. W.
5. ABEL⁶, b. Dec. 22, 1755; m. Phebe Holden; res. W.
6. REBECCA⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1757; m. Levi Graves; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. May 8, 1795.
7. HANNAH⁶, b. April 4, 1759; m. Stephen Hoar; res. W.; 7 chn.; d. Oct. 24, 1831.
8. SAMUEL⁶, b. Jan. 26, 1761; m. twice; res. Vt. and Pa.; 20 chn. (See below.)
9. MOSES⁶, b. Oct. 18, 1762; drowned in Wachusett Pond, Dec. 11, 1777.
10. AARON⁶, b. Oct. 19, 1762; m. twice; res. Gr.; 7 chn.; d. July 4, 1815.
11. ABRAHAM⁶, b. Aug. 2, 1764; d. Dec. 18, 1812.
12. ISRAEL⁶, b. March 15, 1766; m. Abigail Wheeler; res. Barre, Vt.; 7 chn.; d. Sept. 26, 1846.
13. RUTH⁶, b. June 1, 1768; m. Joshua Everett; res. Pn.; 3 chn.; d. Feb. 2, 1820.
14. ABIGAIL⁶, b. June 9, 1770; m. Bezaleel Baker; res. Marlboro', N. H.; 8 chn.
15. EZEKIEL⁶, b. Nov. 25, 1772; m. Judith Baker; res. Barre, Vt.; 5 chn.; d. May 30, 1812.
16. NAHUM⁶, b. April 5, 1776; m. Ruth Jackson; res. Gr. and Me.; sev. chn.; d. July 3, 1829.

[3.] WOOD, NATHAN⁵, oldest s. of the last, m. (1) Mehitable, dau. James and Mary (Pearson) Cowee, March, 1781, and set. on lot 115, 2d Div., Bragg Hill. His w. dying July 4, 1789, at the age of 28, he m. (2) Peggy Hadley of Stoneham, May 24, 1795. He d. Jan. 1, 1841, a. 88. His w., Peggy, d. Oct. 22, 1836, a. 76. Chn.:

17. POLLY⁶, b. Sept. 15, 1782; m. Samuel Puffer; res. W.; 11 chn.; d. March 27, 1843.
18. JOEL⁶, b. May 20, 1784; m. Abby M. Sweetzer; res. W.
19. NANCY⁶, b. July 12, 1795; m. Isaac Kilburn; res. Holden; 7 chn.; living.
20. MEHITABLE⁶, b. not recorded; m. Daniel Flint, Fg.; went Chicago and d. there.
21. NATHAN⁶, b. Feb. 9, 1802; m. Maria Barrell; res. W., etc.

[4.] WOOD, AHIJAH⁵, bro. of the last, m. (1) Dorothy Wheeler of Templeton, Dec. 7, 1779. She was the mother of his chn., dying Sept. 8, 1821, a. 66. He was pub. to Lydia Rockwood of Groton, Aug. 16, 1823. He was a Rev. soldier, enlisting in the

first Co. that went into the service of the colonies from town, and being present at the battle of Bunker Hill. A man he was of sterling worth and much esteemed in the community. He served the town as Assessor, and was for some years on the Board of Selectmen. He d. July 24, 1840, a. 86. His second w., Lydia; d. Feb. 24, 1828, a. 68. Chn.:

22. REBECCA⁶, b. Sept. 12, 1780; m. Josiah Trow; res. Barre, Vt.
23. MOSES⁶, b. April 9, 1782; d. Dec. 11, 1782.
24. DOROTHY⁶, b. May 14, 1784; m. Francis Benjamin; res. Winch.; d. Dec. 6, 1849.
25. NANCY⁶, b. Feb. 16, 1786; m. Joseph Tottingham.
26. NATHAN⁶, b. Nov. 18, 1787; m. Lucy Holden; res. W. and N. Y.
27. LUCY⁶, b. Nov. 20, 1789; d. infancy.
28. AARON⁶, b. Dec. 18, 1791; m. Abigail Boutelle; res. W.
29. LUCY⁶, b. March 5, 1794; m. Ira Maynard; res. Pittsford, Vt.
30. SALLY⁶, b. Feb. 3, 1796; m. Joshua Smith; res. W.; no chn.; d. Dec. 29, 1880.
31. CLARISSA⁶, b. June 25, 1798.
32. ORISA⁶, b. Aug. 25, 1800; m. John Dole.

[5.] WOOD, ABEL⁵, third s. of Dea. Nathan⁴, m. Phebe, dau. Abner and Elizabeth (Darby) Holden, Nov. 21, 1780. "He was," says his grandson, George Wood, "one of the most prominent men of the town and foremost in everything designed to promote the welfare of the community." "In patriotism, philanthropy, and religion, he was deeply and sincerely interested." He was an excellent singer in his day, and taught the first public singing school in the place. He was much in public life, holding for many years the most important town offices, and going as Rep. to the Gen. Ct. for four successive terms. In 1805 he received a commission as Justice of the Peace. Somewhat inclined to military affairs, prompted, perhaps, by a patriotic spirit, he rose to the rank of a Lieut. Col. of the 4th Mass. Reg. in 1802, and at the opening of the war of 1812 was honored with a Col.'s commission, but was not called into the field. He had a large, highly respectable, and influential family. He d. March 23, 1846, a. 90. Phebe, his w., d. Feb. 7, 1839, a. 76. Chn.:

33. EZRA⁶, b. July 18, 1782; m. Caty Jackson; res. W.
34. ASAPH⁶, b. May 14, 1784; m. Susan Hill; res. W.
35. ABEL⁶, b. April 4, 1786; m. Nancy Wiswall; res. W.
36. JOSEPH⁶, b. Nov. 25, 1788; m. Mary W. Doty; res. W., etc.
37. BENJAMIN F.⁶, b. March 1, 1791; m. twice; res. W.
38. PHEBE⁶, b. June 24, 1793; m. Wm. Heywood, etc.; sev. chn.; d. Feb. 3, 1853.
39. BETSEY⁶, b. Dec. 3, 1795; m. Jonas Miller; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. March 7, 1826.
40. ABRAHAM⁶, b. Aug. 16, 1798; m. Patty Doty, etc.; res. W.; no chn.; d. Boston.
41. MYRA⁶, b. Dec. 7, 1800; m. David O. Allen; res. Turkey; 1 chd.; d. Feb. 5, 1831. (See p. 379.)

The several sons of Dea. Nathan⁴ and Rebecca (Haynes) Wood who set. in W. have been duly noticed in the above paragraphs. One of the others, Samuel (8), had a somewhat unique and notable career, which is deemed worthy of special mention. He entered the army of the Rev. when but a few months over 16 years of age, as a private in Capt. Elisha Jackson's Co. raised to reinforce the Am. army after the battle of Bennington, Aug. 16, 1777. Continuing in the service, he was honored with a responsible position in the department of the Hudson river. As one of the squad of men to whom the captors of John André, the celebrated British spy, delivered their prisoner on the 23d Sept., 1780, Mr. Wood was made a special guard of the unfortunate man during his transfer to military headquarters, then in charge of Lieut. Col. Jameson.

After Mr. Wood left the service he took up his res. for a time at Halifax, Vt.,

going thence to Bradford Co. Pa., and becoming largely instrumental in building up the town of Smithfield, in the No. part of the Keystone state. He m. in 1786, Anna, dau. of Stephen and Anna Calef, by whom he had 11 chn. She d. in 1804, and he m.(2) Huldah Cole, who bore him 9 more, making 20 in all. He d. Oct. 28, 1828, a. 67.

[18.] WOOD, JOEL⁶, s. of Nathan⁵ and Mehitabel (Cowe) Wood, m. in 1818, Abbie M., dau. of Samuel Sweetzer of Athol. He was for some years a merchant in town, carrying on business at what was subsequently the Bradbury store, at the brick house on the easterly borders of the old Common, and elsewhere. He d. Oct. 11, 1833, a. 49. Chn.

42. MARY S.⁷, b. Jan. 8, 1824.

43. Unnamed⁷, b. Feb. 16, 1826; d. Feb. 17, 1826.

44. FREDERICK H.⁷, b. May 20, 1827. 45. ABBIE M.⁷, b. Oct. 12, 1830.

46. JOSEPHUS⁷, b. Aug. 19, 1832; } twins.

47. AUGUSTUS⁷, b. Aug. 19, 1832; }

[21.] WOOD, NATHAN⁶, half-bro. of the last, m. Maria, dau. of Wm. and Deborah (Chittendon) Barrell, in 1827. He lived in town, but rem. to Ash. awhile before his d., which occurred Nov. 25, 1836, a. 34. His w. d. April 8, 1850, a. 45. Chn.:

48. NAHUM⁷, b. Dec. 14, 1827; m. Dorothy M. Clark; res. Ash.

49. LUCY M.⁷, b. Jan. 23, 1830; m. Charles E. Locke; res. Ash.

50. ORILLA⁷, b. Feb. 16, 1834; d. unm. Sept. 8, 1854.

[28.] WOOD, AARON⁶, s. of Ahijah⁵ and Dorothy, pub. Sept. 12, 1822, to Abigail, dau. James and Abigail Boutelle, Leom., res. in the house now occupied by his son, Theodore S. Wood. He was one of the town's worthy and substantial citizens, upright, honorable, and public-spirited, and commanded general respect and confidence. He held numerous public offices, the duties of which he performed with conscientious fidelity and efficiency. He early espoused the great reforms of his day, suffering somewhat of reproach and contumely thereby. He was Chairman of the first Bd. of Selectmen chosen on a temperance platform, and was resolute and uncompromising in executing the laws restricting the sale of intoxicating liquors. He was one of the nine men who cast the first ballots in town for the Liberty Party candidate for Pres. of the U. S. in 1840, and lived to see the great iniquity against which he voted overthrown. A sincere and devout member of the First Cong. chh., he was elected Deacon in 1848, continuing in office through life. He d. May 4, 1867, a. 75. His wid. d. Jan. 28, 1877, a. 78. Chn.:

51. JAMES B.⁷, b. Oct. 28, 1823; m. Susan M. Barnes; res. W.

52. CYRUS K.⁷, b. Dec. 2, 1825; m. twice; res. Gr. and Athol; sev. chn.; living.

53. DOROTHY⁷, b. May 28, 1828; m. Sam. M. Washburn; res. Gr.

54. CHARLES P.⁷, b. Oct. 15, 1830; m. Eliz. Cutter; res. Gr.; chn.; living.

55. SUSAN L.⁷, b. July 13, 1834; m. Ezra B. Rice; res. Worc.; chn.; d. Nov. 14, 1868.

56. THEODORE S.⁷, b. May 14, 1838; m. Martha Adams; res. W.

57. ABBY E.⁷, b. March 23, 1841; m. Chas. T. Damon; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Jan. 15, 1868.

[33.] WOOD, EZRA⁶, s. of Abel⁵ and Phebe (Holden) Wood, m. Caty, dau. Sebez and Elizabeth (Bacon) Jackson, May 2, 1804, and res. on the farm of his wife's f., near the R. R. station, now occupied by M. H. Warner. He was a man of quiet ways, of excellent qualities of mind, heart, and character, and much interested in town and chh. affairs. He served the public many years as Assessor and Selectman, and was for a time a member of the Sch. Com. He left town ab. 1844, going to live with his s. Ezra at Jamestown, N. Y., where he d. in July, 1877, at the age of 95. His w. d. in 1865, a. 83. Their chn. were:

58. LOUISA⁷, b. Sept. 7, 1805; m. Jonathan Forbush; res. Boston.
59. EZRA⁷, b. Sept. 5, 1807; m. Mary Williams; res. Jamestown, N. Y.; 1 chd.; d.
60. THEODORE⁷, b. Aug. 7, 1809; d. Aug. 20, 1835.
61. ESTHER L.⁷, b. June 17, 1811; m. Rev. Corbin Kidder.
62. CATHARINE⁷, b. Dec. 17, 1812; m. S. H. Wolcott; res. Beirut, Turkey; d. 1841.
63. PHEBE⁷, b. March 15, 1816; d. July 1, 1831.
64. CYRUS M.⁷, b. June 5, 1818; m. Lucinda J. Adams; res. Jamestown, N. Y.
65. MARY ANN⁷, b. Oct. 19, 1820; nothing learned.

[34.] WOOD, ASAPH⁶, bro. of the last, m. Susan, dau. John and Mary Hill of Leom., July 30, 1806, and set. on the place now owned by J. Curry, which he purchased of Thos. Bemis, May 8, 1811. He did not figure in public life, but was a high-minded, exemplary citizen and a devout Christian. He spent his last days in the Bigelow house, near the First Parish meetinghouse. He d. March 15, 1856, a. 71. His wid., Susan, passed away Aug. 23, 1865, a. 80. Chn.:

66. ELIZA B.⁷, b. March 1, 1807; m. Alfred Beaman; res. Lowell; 10 chn.; d. Cal.
67. SUSAN⁷, b. Feb. 27, 1810; m. Marshall Merriam, etc.; res. Worc.; 6 chn.; d.
68. GEORGE⁷, b. Nov. 10, 1811; m. Caroline McKinsey; res. Jamestown, N. Y.; 3 chn.; living.
69. GUSTAVUS⁷, b. Feb. 1, 1814; d. Jan. 1, 1825.
70. JOSEPH⁷, b. May 15, 1817; m. Adah M. Thurston, etc.; res. Fg.; sev. chn.; d. Cal.
71. ASAPH⁷, b. April 16, 1819; m. Mary W. Minott; res. W.; 3 chn.; d. Cal.
72. MOSES H.⁷, b. Oct. 4, 1822; m. Abby Wesson; res. Cleveland, Ohio; 3 chn.; 1.
73. EDWIN A.⁷, b. Nov. 29, 1826; m. Lucy H. Matthews, etc.; res. Worc.; 3 chn.; 1.

George Wood (68), the oldest s. of the above, has had a wonderfully varied and interesting experience in life. In his early manhood he went to Alabama, where he spent some 5 years in charge of an Academy near Huntsville. He then embarked in the wholesale grocery business at Mobile, carrying it on for 11 years, and extending his sales over a large portion of Ala., Miss., and Ga. At the expiration of that period, he was connected for a time with the large stationery house of "Wheeler, Wood, and Co.," in New York City. Dissolving that relation, he returned So. and started his former business at New Orleans, shipping large quantities of goods *via* Cape Horn to California in the early days of that section of country, and going thither himself in 1850. There he launched into such enterprises as attracted his attention and promised satisfactory returns. Trade, real estate operations, mining, banking, building telegraph lines, etc., commanded his time and energy for nearly 20 years,—some of his undertakings requiring an investment amounting to hundreds of thousands, and even millions, of dollars, to obtain which, in one instance, he made a trip to Engiand, and secured the co-operation of capitalists there. Meeting with difficulties and reverses which prevented the realization of many of his expectations, he left the Pacific slope in 1869, and located at Jamestown, N. Y., where he still resides. He was employed for a time there in manufacturing, but the loss of his eyesight in 1880 put an end to all active labors on his part.

Mr. Wood has in these later years evinced a lively interest in his native town and its affairs, as his frequent communications to individuals, and for public

occasions, abundantly testify. In his seclusion from the world, he has thought much, not only upon what has transpired in the past, but upon current events, and the social, economic, and moral questions of the day, and has furnished, through an amanuensis, numerous interesting and valuable articles for the public press. In this way he has spent many a day since his misfortune came upon him, finding relief, in some measure, from the weariness of his lot, as he waits in patient and cheerful trust, the orderings of Him who has all destines in his keeping, and who doeth all things well.

[35.] WOOD, ABEL⁶, bro. of the last, m. Nancy, dau. Noah and Mary (Palmer) Wiswall, and located upon the Garfield place in the E. part of the town, now in possession of D. E. Hurd. An intelligent and trustworthy citizen, he served the town on the Sch. Com., and in various subordinate positions of responsibility. Religiously inclined by inherited impulses and favoring associations, he became much of an enthusiast in his later years. He was a zealous disciple of Wm. Miller, looking confidently for the end of the world in 1843, but lived long enough to see that his confidence was sadly misplaced. He passed to the unseen world Aug. 18, 1851, a. 65, and his wid. followed him June 2, 1860, a. 67. Chn.:

74. JAPHETH⁷, b. June 2, 1814; d. May 5, 1819.

75. NANCY W.⁷, b. July 7, 1827; m. Wm. M. Kilgore; rem. to Maine.

76. JAPHETH⁷, b. Jan. 6, 1830; d. by the falling of a beam upon him, Jan. 30, 1836.

77. JOSEPH⁷, b. Sept. 29, 1833; d. Feb. 1, 1836.

[37.] WOOD, BENJAMIN F.⁶, another s. of the same parentage, m. Lucinda, dau. Jonas and Anna (Clark) Merriam, July 5, 1814, and succeeded to his father's estate. He was a public-spirited, upright, much-esteemed, and much-honored townsman. He was interested and active in various phases of moral and social reform, especially in the cause of temperance, being largely instrumental in the formation, in 1839, of the Worcester N. E. District Temperance Union, of which body he was the first President. He held the most important offices in the people's gift, in all of which he displayed praiseworthy ability, discretion, and fidelity. He was for 24 years one of the Deacons of the First chh. of the town. His w., Lucinda, d. Nov. 5, 1854, a. 63, and he m. (2) Catharine, dau. Nathl. and Martha Eaton, Lanc., two years afterward. He d. Jan. 20, 1874, a. 83. His 2d w. d. Aug. 29, 1873, a. 80. Chn.:

78. FRANKLIN⁷, b. May 27, 1816; m. Sarah M. Richardson, etc.; d. Jan. 15, 1890.

79. ABEL⁷, b. Jan. 7, 1818; m. Sarah A. Patten; d. Aug. 19, 1890.

80. ERASTUS⁷, b. Feb. 19, 1821; d. March 3, 1821.

81. T. DWIGHT⁷, b. Nov. 9, 1822; m. Emeline Clark; res. W., etc.

82. HARRIET L.⁷, b. May 24, 1824; d. Oct. 14, 1826.

83. HARRIET L.⁷, b. Sept. 8, 1827; m. Augustine Eager; res. W.; 1 chd.; d. March 26, 1859.

84. ABRAHAM W.⁷, b. March 22, 1832; res. Minn., etc.

[40.] WOOD, ABRAHAM⁶, youngest son of Abel⁶ and Phebe, m. Patty, dau. of John and Mary Doty, in 1836. She d. Dec. 18, the following year, and he m. (2) in 1848, Lucy B., wid. of Sylvester Miller. He was a man of exemplary habits, gentlemanly

manners, and unblemished reputation. He served two years on the Sch. Com., and was for a long time an efficient and much employed land surveyor. During the most prosperous period of the W. Academy, he received pupils into his home on the common near by, where he dispensed the hospitalities and courtesies of which he was master, in the quiet, unpretending way characteristic of him. The last years of his life were spent in Boston, where he passed away at date unkn. His wid., Lucy B., d. Dec. 29, 1875, a. 58. Mr. Wood had no chn.

Joseph Wood⁶ (36), another s. of Abel⁶ and Phebe, grad. Dart. Coll. 1816; studied for the Chn. Ministry, and spent his professional life, which was brief, mostly in the South. He m. Jan. 7, 1821, Mary W., dau. of John and Mary Doty, by whom he had sev. chn., one of whom, Susan, b in 1821, d. W. Oct. 5, 1825. Himself and w. d. at dates unkn.

[51.] WOOD, JAMES B.⁷, s. of Aaron⁶ and Abigail, m. Susan M., dau. Sewall and Mary (Bond) Barnes, May 8, 1850, and located in the village where he now resides. He is a painter by trade, an estimable townsman, an active member of the First Cong. chh. and society, and a hearty supporter of whatever conduces to the good of the community and the well-being of mankind. Chn.:

85. ELLA M.⁸, b. June 23, 1851; m. Leroy A. Howe; res. W.; 1 chd.

86. GEORGE B.⁸, b. June 11, 1853; m. Velnette A. Pierce; res. W. and Gr.

87. MARY ABBIE⁸, b. Aug. 18, 1854; d. Sept. 8, 1854.

[56.] WOOD, THEODORE S.⁷, bro. of the last two, m. Martha, dau. George and Arvilla (Stevens) Adams of Enosburg, Vt., June 10, 1863, and set. upon the homestead of his ancestors. He is an enterprising and successful farmer, and an intelligent, active, high-minded, reliable, and useful citizen. Interested in public affairs and in the activities of the chh., he is a man of influence and of honorable reputation. He is an earnest and faithful friend of temperance, and is worthy of much credit for his vigilant and tireless efforts for the suppression of the liquor traffic in town. He has served the cause of popular education as member of the Sch. Com., and has been for several years on the Board of Selectmen. Chn.:

88. HARRIET S.⁸, b. July 17, 1864. 89. DORA W.⁸, b. Feb. 18, 1866.

90. SUSIE A.⁸, b. April 26, 1869; a successful and deservedly popular school teacher.

91. ABBIE E.⁸, b. Nov. 2, 1871; d. March 14, 1886.

92. J. FANNIE⁸, b. Oct. 19, 1876.

[81.] WOOD, TIMOTHY DWIGHT⁷, son of Benj. F.⁶ and Lucinda (Merriam) Wood, m. Emeline, dau. of Luther R. and Keziah (Gates) Clark of Leom., May 8, 1844, and lived for many years on his father's place, where his chn. were b. An intelligent, good-principled man, capable and trustworthy, faithful and exemplary in all the relations of life. A devout chh. member, but of catholic spirit. He served the town many years as Assessor, Selectman, member of the Sch. Com., and in other less responsible capacities. He moved to Leom. a few years since,

where he was made Deacon of the Cong. Trin. chh. He d. Dec., 1892, a. 70. Chn.:

92. ELSIE K.⁸, b. March 5, 1845; m. Porter F. Page; res. W.; 1 chd.; living.
 93. MYRA L.⁸, b. March 20, 1847; m. Chas. F. Merriam; res. W. and L.; no chn.; 1.
 94. BENJAMIN F.⁸, b. March 24, 1849; m. Clara M. Houghton; 1 chd.; living.
 95. WILFRED, F.⁸, b. Nov. 5, 1851; m. Clara V. Stearns; 2 chn.; living.
 96. ANNA J.⁸, b. Nov. 19, 1854; m. Edward F. Harris.
 97. LAURA H.⁸, b. April 4, 1858; m. Alvah K. Lewis.
 98. ALBERT R.⁸, b. May 10, 1861. 99. ABEL W.⁸, b. May 7, 1864.
 100. EMMA C.⁸, b. April 4, 1870; d. Aug. 19, 1870.

Franklin Wood⁷ (78), oldest s. of Benj. F.⁶ and Lucinda, grad. D. C. in 1841, and spent much of his life in teaching and other pursuits pertaining to the cause of education. He was for some years in Minn., but res. more recently at Binghampton, N. Y. He d. at Kingston, N. H., Jan. 15, 1890, a. 73.

Abel Wood⁷ (79), bro. of Franklin⁷, grad. D. C. 1843. He studied for the ministry at Andover, grad. in 1848, but devoted most of his active life to teaching in N. Y. state and elsewhere. His last years were spent at Kingston, N. H., where he d. Aug. 19, 1890, a. 72, and where his wid. still lives.

[86.] WOOD, GEORGE B.⁸, s. of James B.⁷ and Susan M., m. Aug. 4, 1875, Velnette A., dau. of Benjamin F. Pierce of Hubbardston. He was trained to, and followed for a few years in W., his father's occupation, and here two of his chn. were b. He then rem. to Gr. with his family, and there they now res. Chn.:

101. ALICE M.⁹, b. Sept. 5, 1876. 102. ELLA F.⁹, b. Dec. 31, 1877.

103. WOOD, AARON⁸, son of Aaron⁵ (10) and Lucy (Jackson) Wood, and grandson of the first Nathan⁴, was b. Dec. 11, 1797. He m. Nancy, dau. of Jonas and Anna (Clark) Merriam, in 1826, and after a brief res. in Gardner, set. in Providence, R. I., where his more active years were spent, and where he was elected Deacon of the chh. At a later period in life they came to this town, and passed their last days here. He d. June 15, 1871, a. 79. She d. May 11, 1872, a. 70. No chn.

An entirely distinct family by the name of Wood, and not known to have been in any way connected with the preceding, had representatives in town during the early years of the present century. Its immigrant ancestor was John Wood¹, who seems to have come to this country with his bro. Jeremiah¹ about the year 1700. He m. Elizabeth Buckminster of Framingham, March 3, 1734-5, and res. in that town. They had a s. Joseph², known in his time as Capt. Joseph, who m. Mary Goodwin and located at Woodville, Hopkinton, where they have descendants to this day.

104. WOOD, NATHANIEL G.³, s. of Capt. Joseph² and Mary, was b. Hopkinton, Aug. 4, 1764. He m. Levina Hayden of Bridgewater ab. 1791, and set. in Grafton for a few years, going thence to Holden, and finally coming here in 1802 and purchasing the Narrows sawmill property, lot No. 112, which comprised the farm, an old dwelling house, etc. He made many improvements on the premises, including the building of the commodious house more recently owned by Geo. W. Merriam, which was destroyed by fire a few years ago. He was a man of much intelligence, enterprise, and public spirit, proving a useful and influential citizen while he remained in town. He sold out in

1811 and went to Boylston, but finally located in Ph., where he d. Chn.:

105. MERRITT⁴, b. Jan. 21, 1794.

106. PATTY⁴, b. Nov. 5, 1795.

107. NATHANIEL⁴, b. Aug. 29, 1797; a well-known lawyer of Fg.

108. JONATHAN⁴, b. Dec. 14, 1799.

109. SABRINA⁴, b. Dec. 6, 1801.

110. GOODWIN⁴, b. Oct. 6, 1803.

111. Unnamed⁴, b. Aug. 10, 1805; d. 1806.

112. MARY⁴, b. March 6, 1809.

113. MOSES⁴, b. Oct. 10, 1811.

114. WOOD, GEORGE⁵, s. of Martin⁴ and Nancy (Hunt) Wood of Littleton, was b. Jan. 11, 1805. He was a descendant of Jeremiah¹, bro. of John¹, referred to above, through John², John³, and Martin⁴. He came into tn. ab. 1840 and bought the Joseph Brown place, near Wachusettville, where he afterwards res. He was unm., but shared his home with two maiden sisters, Nancy⁵ and Mary⁵, who had charge of domestic affairs. They were all persons of excellent character, and much interested in questions of philanthropy and moral reform. Two brothers, Josephus⁵ and John⁵, were also in later years members of the household. They severally d. as follows: Nancy⁵, June 14, 1872, a. 70; John⁵, May 1, 1874, a. 59; Josephus⁵, Dec. 14, 1882, a. 79; George⁵, Jan. 18, 1885, a. 80; Mary⁵, July 27, 1887, a. 75.

115. WOOD, CORNELIUS ELIOT⁵, s. of Martin⁴ and Abigail (Willard) Wood, was b. at Littleton, Dec. 1, 1827. He is a grad. of Harvard Univ., and has received from that institution the honorary degree of A. M. He is also a grad. of the Harvard Law School, and before coming to W. was engaged in teaching and the practice of his profession. After the d. of his bro. just named, he came into the possession of his estate, which he has since occupied. He was commissioned Justice of the Peace in 1885. He m. June 1, 1862, Catharine Maria —, by whom he had 1 chd. as reported:

116. AMELIA E.⁶, b. Jan. 6, 1863; d. June 14, 1880.

117. WOOD, ROBERT, ptge., etc., unkn., was b. in Eng. and came to this country in 1823. After two yrs. residence elsewhere he moved into W., locating at the Narrows. He was a cotton manufacturer, and as such, run for several years the Cory factory owned by Wonder Wears, but finally left for Northboro', where it is sup. he d. His s., Miles Wood, was a temporary res. here at a later date, owning and occupying the Jonas W. Whitney place near No. Common, the recent town farm. He m. (1) Malinda, dau. of Daniel and Keziah (Dunster) Munjoy, by whom he had sev. chn. She d. some yrs. since, and he m. (2) her sr., Martha. Both are still living at Northboro'.

118. WOOD, ALLEN B., ptge., etc., unkn., was a res of W. from 1840 to 1872. He lived in the extreme north part of the town, and for some yrs. run the so-called Goodale mill. Of his family little has been ascertained. His w., Susan H. (Whitney) Wood, d. Feb. 25, 1860, a. 42. He went hence to Fg., and is still living there with one of his sons. Chn. as far as kn.:

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| 119. ALLEN B., b. 1842; res. Fg. | |
| 120. FRANK A., b. 1844; m. Lousia G. Cutter; res. Fg. | |
| 121. ELLA J., b. May 7, 1850. | 122. Daughter, b. Dec. 17, 1851. |
| 123. DANIEL W., b. Aug., 1854. | 124. Unnamed, b. Dec. 21, 1859. |

WOODWARD. It has not been found possible to trace the families of this name in W. to their immigrant progenitor on the Am. continent with any degree of certainty. Tradition makes the first comer here to have been the s. of John and gd.s. of another John, who migrated from the mother country and set. on Cape Ann. It also makes him to have been a sailor for some years, and then to have learned the painter's and glazier's trade, m., and located for a time at Tewksbury, before rem. to this place. But Mr. Frank E. Woodward of Malden, who has given the history of the family much study, is of the opinion that he was a descendant of Richard of Watertown, some of whose early progeny established themselves in or near the town mentioned. The matter is still open to investigation, and is left for those interested, who have time and inclination, to carry it out, if possible, to more definite and satisfactory results. Meanwhile attention is called to particulars concerning which there can be no question or room for conjecture.

I. **WOODWARD, JOHN**, ptge., etc., not ascertained, m. Mary, dau. of John and Mary (Barrett) Spalding of Tewksbury ab. 1740. She was sr. of Rev. Sampson Spalding who grad. Harvard Coll., 1732, studied divinity, and was the minister of T. more than 60 years. Mr. and Mrs. W. res. in that place awhile, then rem. to Nottingham, N. H., whence they came to W. in 1751 with 4 chn., locating on lot No. 7, half a mile N. W. of the village, where Mrs. Underwood now lives. He is understood to have been a painter and glazier by trade before coming here, and very likely followed that business somewhat afterwards in connection with farming. His wife, Mary, d. and he m. (2) Wid. Rebecca Stowell in 1780, also (3) Lydia —, who d. 1813. He d. March 23, 1799, a. 86. Chn.:

2. JOHN, b. June 21, 1741; m. Ruth Wheeler; res. W.
3. NATHANIEL, b. March 15, 1743; had 3 wives; res. W.
4. MARY, b. Nov. 28, 1745; m. Dr. Solomon Harvey; res. Chesterfield, N. H.
5. HANNAH, b. April 17, 1749; m. Ephraim Wetherbee, etc.; d. Dec. 12, 1832.
6. OLIVE, b. March 17, 1753; m. Wm. Chapelle; res. Gr.
7. LUCY, b. May 10, 1755; m. Antipas Dodge; res. W., etc.; 3 chn. b. W.
8. SARAH, b. July 10, 1759; nothing learned; prob. d. young.
9. ASA, b. June 9, 1761; nothing found.

[2.] **WOODWARD, JOHN**, son of the last, m. Ruth, dau. of Joseph and Ruth (Fox) Wheeler of Concord. He enlisted as a soldier in the Rev., was taken sick, and started home on a furlough, but was obliged to stop on his journey at Brookfield, where he d. No chn. reported, unless Polly, who d. 1801, was his dau. His wid., Ruth, who was sr. of the w. of Capt. Wm. Edgell, Sen., m. (2) Lieut. Samuel Gerrish in 1792. She d. Jan. 8, 1822.

[3.] **WOODWARD, NATHANIEL**, bro. of the last, m. (1) Elizabeth, dau. of Wm. and Sarah (Locke) Withington of Stow (pub. Dec. 25, 1766), and succeeded to the estate of his father. He, too, was in the Rev. war, serving for 3 years. His w. d.

March 5, 1812, a. 71, and he m. (2) Elizabeth, wid. of Andrew Darby, the next year. He d. July 22, 1823, a. 80. His wid. d. Feb. 13, 1845, a. 97. Chn.:

10. MARY, b. June 28, 1768; m. George Adams; res. Ludlow, Vt.; sev. chn.
11. SARAH, b. June 28, 1768; m. Benj. Harrington; res. W.; 6 chn.; d. Feb. 5, 1813.
12. REBECCA, b. Nov. 3, 1769; m. John Whitcomb; res. Stockbridge, Vt.
13. ASA, b. Feb. 4, 1771; m. Mary Pratt; res. Stockbridge, Vt.
14. ABEL, b. April 1, 1773; m. Tabitha Beard; res. W.
15. BETTY, b. Jan. 5, 1777; nothing further.
16. JEMIMA, b. May 2, 1782; m. Moses Pratt; res. Stockbridge, Vt.; 3 chn.
17. JOHN, b. Aug. 23, 1783; m. Nella Green; res. W.

[14.] WOODWARD, ABEL, s. of the above, m. Tabitha, dau. of Andrew and Elizabeth (Burnap) Beard of Gr., prob. 1794. They res. on the old family homestead. He was a military man and was chosen Capt. of one of the town companies. He d. Feb. 26, 1835, a. 62. Tabitha d. Aug. 26, 1842, a. 72. Chn.:

18. ABEL, b. June 1, 1795; m. Lucy Spofford; res. Ludlow, Vt.
19. TABITHA, b. May 5, 1797.
20. JOHN, b. Apr. 2, 1799; d. July 2, 1803.
21. ISAAC B., b. March 11, 1801; m. Eliza Wetherbee; res. W., etc.
22. SAMUEL L., b. Jan. 25, 1803; d. March 14, 1804.
23. MARY, b. Jan. 10, 1805.
24. NANCY, b. Dec. 8, 1806.
25. JOHN L., b. Feb. 5, 1809; d. Feb. 20, 1809.
26. S. LOCK, b. May 5, 1810; m. Loenza Derby; res. W., etc.; d. March 2, 1888.

[17.] WOODWARD, JOHN, bro. of the last, m. Nella Green of Reading, prob. 1807, and occupied a part of the old farm, his house standing on the main street. His w. d. April 22, 1820, a. 34, and in less than 3 mos., July 3, he m. Polly, dau. of John Ward, who d. without issue, June 12, 1853. He d. Oct. 2, 1829, a. 46. Chn.:

27. SAPPHRONA, b. March 13, 1808; d. 1808.
28. SAPPHRONA, b. May 31, 1809; d. Oct. 6, 1813.
29. J. GREEN, b. April 10, 1810; m. Mary Ward; res. Ash.; 2 chn.; d. Sept. 26, 1892.
30. SETH H., b. May 6, 1811; d. May, 1816.
31. JOSEPH S., b. Oct. 6, 1813; m. Lucinda Mosman; res. W.
32. ELINOR E., b. July 2, 1817.
33. HORACE S., b. March 30, 1820; m.; in civil war; d. Oct. 19, 1863. (See p. 413.)

[21.] WOODWARD, ISAAC BURNAP, s. of Abel and Tabitha, m. Eliza, dau. of Caleb and Anna (Wood) Wetherbee (pub. Feb. 24), 1823, and after res. in town a few years rem. to Fg., where he was an enterprising, substantial, and honorable citizen of that flourishing municipality, contributing in no small degree to its prosperity and general well being. The names of only 2 chn. are found in the W. records, though he had several more after leaving town. Those two were:

34. WILLIAM WASHBURN, b. July 14, 1823.
35. MARY M., b. July 12, 1825; d. Jan. 14, 1827.

Calvin M. Woodward, a s. of Isaac B. and Eliza, b. Fg., has attained noteworthy distinction in educational circles, and a more than national reputation as an expert in certain departments of educational work. He grad. at Harvard in 1860, the foremost of his class in mathematics, securing thereby the Gray prize of \$250. Before and after the war he had charge of the High School of Newburyport, serving



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meanwhile both as private and commissioned officer in the 48th Regt. M.V., and taking part in the siege and capture of Fort Hudson, June 14, 1863. In 1865 he accepted a call to Washington University, St. Louis, where he remained many years, his recognized abilities securing his promotion from time to time till he gained a commanding position in the institution, and among the highest grade workers in the educational field. He has been a member of the St. Louis Board of Public Schools, a councillor of the National Educational Assn., and Curator of the State University of Mo. He has given much attention to manual training in its relation to the common school system of the country, and is deemed an authority upon the subject and matters pertaining thereto, having been called upon to expound and illustrate its principles and their application in many of the larger cities of the U. S. and England. He has also written and published much in the same behalf, as he has upon other themes of an educational or scientific character, indicative of the place he occupies in the intellectual world, and of the success attending his efforts to solve some of the great problems of the present age. He is honored with the title of Ph. D.

[26.] WOODWARD, SAMUEL LOCKE, bro. of Isaac B., m. Loenza, dau. of Joel and Sukey (Haines) Derby, in 1830, and after residing in town a few yrs. rem. to Vt., where he not long since dec'd. Chn. b. W.:

36. ABEL GRANVILLE, b. Nov. 18, 1830. 37. PORTER, b. Nov. 9, 1832.
38. ADALINE DERBY, b. Sept. 10, 1834. 39. ISAAC, b. Feb. 26, 1837.

[31.] WOODWARD, JOSEPH STONE, s. of John and Nella, m. (1) Lucinda, dau. of John and Copia (Ward) Mosman, Nov. 15, 1838. She d. May 10, 1842, a. 26, and he m. (2) Betsey, dau. of Ephraim and Betsey (Sawin) Williams of Gr., Nov. 15, 1843. She d. May 7, 1874, a. 59. He has res. at different times in Ash., Gr., and W., the latter having been his home for some years past. Chn.:

40. JOHN, b. Ash., May 1, 1840; d. Aug. 11, 1842.
41. PRESCOTT WILDER, b. Gr., Feb. 28, 1847; d. July 27, 1847.
42. ELIZA ANN, b. Gr., Nov. 11, 1848; m. Charles E. Smith; res. Orange.; 7 chn.; 1.
43. OSMER DEAN, b. Ash., Feb. 17, 1856; d. Aug. 2, 1856.

WRIGHT.

Duncan Wright was b. in Argyleshire, Scot., in 1770. He came to this country in 1812, and worked at his trade, which was bleaching, successively at Bristol and Smithfield, R. I., Waltham, Medway, Boston, and Fall River, at which place he, with his bro. Daniel and two others, did the first calico printing in the vicinity. Before migrating to this country he m. Janet, dau. of Alexander Wilson, the distinguished Scotch naturalist, by whom he had 3 sons. One of these, Alexander, engaged in the manufacture of coach lace at Medway, and afterwards started the weaving of carpets by machinery, the first in the state and the second in the country.

I. WRIGHT, PETER, s. of Duncan and Janet, was b. March 31, 1798. He, too, was a bleacher and dyer, working at his trade many years for the Lowell Manufacturing Co., and acquiring a moderate fortune thereby. In 1857 he came to W. and located on the old Common, where his wid. and dau. still reside. A refined, cultivated, worthy family. He d. April 19, 1885, a. 87. Chn., so far as known.:

2. JANETTE W.; m. Henry W. Brooks of Chicago, June 17, 1863; dec'd.
3. LUCY R.; m. Henry W. Brooks of Kansas City (second wife), Feb. 23, 1881.
4. ELLEN M.; unm.; a resident of W.

WYMAN.

Among the early settlers of the town of Woburn were two brothers, Francis¹ and John Wyman¹, tanners by trade, among the first in the country, who did a large business, accumulating a considerable property and becoming extensive owners of real estate. Their descendants have been numerous in the land, and of wide and honorable reputation. Francis¹, by his w. Judith (Pierce), had a s. Timothy², b. Sept. 15, 1661, the father of Joseph³, b. Nov. 1, 1695, who m. Ruth Baldwin and set. in Billerica. Of this union came a second Joseph⁴, b. Sept. 10, 1725. He m. Mary Johnson and went to Pelham, N. H., where they had a considerable family.

1. WYMAN, DAVID⁵, s. of Joseph⁴ and Mary, was b. March 18, 1767. In early life he learned the art of fulling cloth at Dracut, and began business for himself at Jaffrey, N. H. He rem. thence to this town ab. 1793, in which year he bought of Thomas Rand a water privilege on the Narrows Stream with a small mill upon it, and started the first fulling establishment in these parts. He subsequently improved the property, and carried on for many years a large and successful business. He was an industrious, enterprising man, and did much to promote the growth and prosperity of that section of the town,—a work which his sons took up and carried out to larger issues after his decease. He m., soon after coming here, Huldah, dau. of Jonathan and Huldah (Hawkes) Brown, by whom he had a large family. He d. March 7, 1839, a. 72. His wid. d. April 11, 1843, a. 71. Chn.:

2. HULDAH⁶, b. July 31, 1795; d. Oct. 4, 1800.
3. JONAS⁶, b. Dec. 4, 1796; d. Oct. 3, 1800.
4. HARRIET⁶, b. Oct. 25, 1798; d. Oct. 6, 1800.
5. JOEL⁶, b. Dec. 6, 1800; m. Catharine C. Hay; res. S.C.; 9 chn.; d. June 20, 1883.
6. BENJAMIN⁶, b. Aug. 13, 1802; m. 3 times; res. W.
7. HULDAH⁶, b. Aug. 22, 1804; m. Horatio Eager; res. W.; 4 chn.; d. Jan. 24, 1865.
8. SALLY⁶, b. March 31, 1806; m. Ira Hoar; res. Monticello, Minn.; 5 chn.; living.
9. FRANKLIN⁶, b. Jan. 20, 1808; m. 3 times; res. W. and Worc.; chn.; living.
10. MARCUS⁶, b. Oct. 10, 1809; d. unm., May 20, 1843.
11. DAVID⁶, b. Feb. 8, 1812; m. Mary Jackson; res. W., etc.
12. HARRISON⁶, b. Oct. 20, 1813; m. Wid. Jane (Wilder) Locke; res. W.
13. ADALINE⁶, b. April 5, 1816; m. F. J. Hay; res. W. and S. C.; d. Aug. 24, 1882.
14. ALFRED⁶, b. March 13, 1819; m. Abby W. Forbush; res. W. and Worc.

Joel Wyman⁶ (5), the oldest of the above chn. who lived to maturity, was a student by nature and inclination, fitted for college, entered the first class at Amherst, graduating in 1828. He soon went to South Carolina and engaged in teaching. Subsequently he studied medicine at Charleston Med. Coll. and located in the vicinity, where he built up a large and lucrative practice. He attained a high rank in his profession and in general society, became thoroughly southernized in his feelings and sympathized heartily with his adopted state in her withdrawal from the Federal Union. He never became wholly reconstructed,—never gave up his opinion that the South was right in the conflict with the general government, though overpowered by the force of numbers and made to remain in the Union. He m. in March, 1832, Catharine C. Hay and had 9 chn.

[6.] WYMAN, BENJAMIN⁶, another s. of David⁵ and Huldah, m. (1) Lydia, dau. of Edward and Lydia (Woodward) Bacon, Aug. 1, 1832. She d. July 5, 1834, a. 26, and he m. (2) Lucinda Mirick of Pn., April 16, 1835. Her life was brief, terminating June 7, 1842, at the age of 30. He had chn. by each of these wives, but they did not live to be named, and hence are not chronicled

here. He m. (3) Wid. Love Sprague of Harvard, dau. of Samuel Hazen of Shirley, Aug. 17, 1843, the sister of Mrs. Wonder Wears. Mr. Wyman, now living at the advanced age of 91 years, has been one of the most intelligent, active, and public-spirited citizens of the town, a man of much natural ability, enriched by wide reading and thoughtfulness. Bound by no traditional fetters, he has welcomed whatever new light came to him, interested himself in the great philanthropic movements and theological discussions of his time, openly committed himself to the Temperance, Anti-Slavery, and other reforms proposing the amelioration and bettering of the condition of mankind, and been ready to accept such changes or modifications of doctrinal belief or political policy as his best judgment and moral sense approved. His fellow-townsmen have recognized his competency and moral worth by assigning him to responsible positions in the administration of public affairs and otherwise. He has served several years in the respective offices of Selectman and Assessor, and at the Centennial celebration of the town's incorporation in 1859 he was invited to preside over the exercises of the occasion. Besides four unnamed chn. of his early married life, he has had two daus., who are spared to be the companions of his declining years. Mrs. Wyman d. March 4, 1889, a. 84. Chn.:

15. MARY ANN⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1844; has always res. with parents; unm.

16. SARAH⁷, b. Sept. 15, 1848; a successful teacher; res. W.; unm.

[9.] WYMAN, FRANKLIN⁶, bro. of the last, m. (1) Henrietta W., dau. of Samuel and Love (Parker) Hazen of Shirley, Dec. 3, 1839. She bore him 3 chn. and d. June 26, 1860, a. 53. He m. (2) Dec. 19, 1861, Amelia E., dau. of Stephen and Narcissa Brooks, Ashby, by whom he had 1 chd. She d. Aug. 7, 1864, a. 38, and he m. (3) Dec. 7, 1865, Sophia L. Gardner of Shirley. Mr. Wyman is a man of few words, yet of good practical judgment and unusual executive ability. For many years he was one of the most active and successful business men of the tn. (See Chap. on Industries.) His recognized qualifications for administering public affairs brought him repeatedly into official positions, the duties of which he discharged efficiently and satisfactorily. For 6 yrs. he served as Selectman, and twice was he chosen to represent the district to which W. belonged, in the lower branch of the State Legislature. He is a strong Republican in politics, and a supporter of the principles and institutions of the Liberal Christian faith in religion. He moved to Worcester in 1871, where he has since resided, though retaining until recently certain business interests in town. Chn.:

17. AUGUSTUS GRANVILLE PARKER⁷, b. June 17, 1843; d. Oct. 28, 1849.

18. FRANKLIN⁷, b. Nov. 28, 1848; d. Dec. 15, 1851.

19. CHARLES FRANKLIN⁷, b. April 16, 1853; m. M. E. Fairbank and H. E. Wright; res. Worc.; living.

20. ALFRED A.⁷, b. Oct. 20, 1863; m. Flora M. Wright; res. Fg.; 3 chn.; l.

21. EVELYN MAY⁷, b. Dec. 10, 1870; a former student at Smith College.

[11.] WYMAN, DAVID⁶, bro. of the last, m. Mary, dau. of Edward and Dolly (Brooks) Jackson, Dec. 2, 1841. He succeeded his father in the business of fulling cloth for a few yrs., but finally disposed of his several interests, removing to Minneapolis, where he d. not long afterwards. He was Selectman 1 yr. His wid. is still living at Minneapolis. Chn.:

22. MARCUS J.⁷, b. June 28, 1847; dec'd. 23. ELLEN R.⁷, b. Nov. 9, 1850; dec'd.
24. ASA E.⁷, b. June 3, 1854; dec'd.

[12.] WYMAN, HARRISON⁶, bro. of the preceding, m. Nov. 16, 1846, Wid. Jane W. Locke of Fg., dau. of Caleb and Louise (Bolton) Wilder. He d. Oct. 11, 1855, a. 41, and his wid. subsequently m. (3) Amasa Bancroft of Gr., in which town she still resides. Chn.:

25. MATILDA M.⁷, b. July 4, 1847; d. July 30, 1849.
26. HENRY H.⁷, b. March 6, 1849; an ordained Catholic priest in N. Y.
27. ALFRED⁷, b. Jan. 4, 1853; m. and res. Gr.; has chn.; living:

[14.] WYMAN, ALFRED, youngest s. of David and Huldah (Brown) Wyman, m. in 1843, Abby W., dau. of David and Dolly (Whitman) Forbush. He is a man of good natural endowments, much business capacity and strength of character,—an independent thinker, a radical in politics and religion, having the courage of his convictions, and loyal to his own sense of duty, honor, and right. Beginning business as a wool carder and clothier, he afterward started the "bakery" and run it some years, then sold out and moved to Worcester, where he still res. He had a bake-shop there awhile, then engaged in the flour trade, but his health failing him, he retired from active life. Both he and his wife became early interested in humanitarian movements and questions of reform, were outspoken Anti-Slavery people of the Garrison school, friends of Temperance, Peace, woman's rights, etc. They are without issue, but have an adopted dau., who m. Charles D. Thayer, and has 7 chn.

28. WYMAN, DAVID⁵, was b. in Lunenburg at an unascertained date, and was prob. the s. (though possibly the gd.s.) of John⁴, who was b. in Woburn in 1702, and set. in L. bef. 1740. John⁴ was the s. of John³, who was b. 1672, the s. of John², b. 1648, the s. of the immigrant, John¹, bro. of Francis¹, before mentioned. This would make the two Davids, who were in tn. simultaneously for some years, fourth cousins. He was pub. to Sarah, dau. of Jonathan and Tabitha (Hart) Stedman, Dec. 29, 1783. He was then "of Lunenburg," but came to W. not long afterward, locating on a farm in the Minott neighborhood. He does not appear to have res. here later than 1799, when he sold his place to Liberty Patridge and went to Manchester, Vt., since which event nothing has been learned of him or his family. Chn.:

29. BETSEY⁶, b. Nov. 9, 1784. 30. LOIS⁶, b. Jan. 15, 1787.
31. EUNICE⁶, b. May 26, 1789. 32. JONATHAN⁶, b. May 26, 1789.
33. SAMUEL⁶, b. May 15, 1791. 34. SALLY⁶, b. Aug. 22, 1794.

1. YOUNG, SAMUEL, s. of William of Templeton, was b. May 7, 1787. Coming to W. before reaching his majority, he was pub. to Sally (Mary), dau. of Jonathan and Betty (Lewis) Graves, Oct. 19, 1806, and having m. her, settled on the estate belonging to her father, near Cedar Swamp. He d. Aug. 18, 1850, a. 63. His w. d. May 12, 1846, a. 61. Chn.:

2. ORANGE, b. Aug. 2, 180—; m. three times; res. W.
3. BETSEY, b. May 18, 1812; m. Lovell Williams; res. Fg.; 1 chd.; living.
4. MARY, b. Dec. 9, 1815; unm.; res. Gr.
5. WILLIAM; m. Anna Bennett; res. Royalston; 4 chn.; dec'd.
6. CALEB; m. Jane Whitney; res. Gr.; 2 chn.; dec'd.
7. NEWELL, b. Jan. 30, 1824; m. Persis A. Macullar; res. Orange; 3 chn.; 1.
8. JOHN, b. May 7, —; m. Betsey Bosworth; res. Gr.; 1 chd.; dec'd.
9. ANSON, m. twice; res. Otter River; no chn.; living.

[2.] YOUNG, ORANGE, s. of the last, m. (1) Lavina, dau. of Martin Baker, who bore him 3 chn. and d. May 21, 1846, a. 33. He m. (2) Wid. Mary Thompson, dau. of Luther Sawin, Feb. 4, 1847. She d. March 4, 1858, a. 52, and he m. (3) in Oct. of the same year, Wid. Mary A. Chapin of Gr., who d. Dec. 17, 1876. His last w., who is still living with her s. on the old Jonathan Graves farm, was Fidelia (Whitney), wid. of Aaron Sawin. He d. Dec. 24, 1886, a. 80. He had but 3 chn., all by first wife:

9. RUFUS, b. 1832?; m. Climelia Sawin; res. Gr.; 6 chn.; dec'd.
10. LUCY M., b. 1833?; m. George S. Cheever; res. Cal.; 2 chn.
11. EDWARD O., b. June 1, 1844; d. in the war, May, 1864. (See p. 413.)

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